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early elections

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putting brakes on talks

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Peres ups number of **Palestinian** work permits

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ISRAEL will increase the number of Palestinian workers allowed to cross the Green Line to help improve the economic situa-tion in the territories, Prime Minister Shimon Peres said last night, after conferring with Palestinian Authority chairman Yasser Ara-

fat at the Erez checkpoint.
Some 3,000 workers will be allowed to enter Israel from Hebron, Peres said.

Then what we expect is... for the Palestinian Authority to make a real effort to prevent any form of terror," Peres told reporters. "If the Palestinian Authority prevents violence and terror, it helps all of us. The rifle, the terror, are joint enemies of the two sides."

He also stressed that he expected Arafat to make good on a promise to revoke, within two months, the PLO Covenant calling for Israel's destruction.

Arafat, however, avoided a commitment by saying it was up to the Palestine National Council to revoke the covenant, not him.

The voters were not just voting for us as persons, but they were voting for the peace process." Arafat told the news conference, in a reference to Saturday's Palestinian elections.

Peres termed the elections "a real verdict [for] peace on the Palestinian side.

Peres noted optimistically the beginning of relations of what

one could call 'people-to-people.'
"The Arabs, the Palestinians and the Israelis who live in close proximity will meet as human bealready getting together. This creates an understanding and a

He said that the years of coexistence with Israel's Arab citizens could serve as an example. "We have learned that Arabs and Israelis can build and live together."

Asked about a newspaper interview in which he said he could see a Palestinian state within 18 months, Arafat said: "It is my right to dream."

Peres, standing beside Arafat, said: "I accept it as a dream. A dream can be one-sided; an agreement needs two sides."

Peres referred to Arafat twice as ra'is, appearing to avoid using the term "president."

PA official: Israel must apologize to our people

ISRAEL must apologize to the Palestinians for its behavior toward them throughout history, in the same way Germany apologized to Israel for persecuting Jews in Europe, senior Palestinian Authority official Afif Sa'afia

said yesterday. Sa'afia also said that after the refugee problem is solved the PA would be willing to accept a small number of "certain Jews" as residents, as long as they accept the law of the State of Palestine. However, he said, settlers will not be allowed to do so, since they are not a bridge to peace. (Itim)



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Palestinians and IDF soldiers clash yesterday near the village of Habla, south of Kalkilya, after the Palestinians tried to prevent the construction of a road and a fence around the adjacent settlement of Matan. The protesters threw stones and bottles at a bulldozer leveling the land, lightly wounding a soldier guarding the workers. The soldiers responded by firing rubber and plastic bullets. Two Palestinians were wounded and two arrested, Army Radio reported.

Biran, Bodinger to be replaced soon

with both OC Central Command Maj. Gen. Ilan Biran and OC. Air Force Maj. Gen. Herzl Bodinger expected to be replaced. Biran, who will have served two years by April, has said recently he knows of no other major-general who was OC Central Command for more than two years, and has no plans to be an exception:

It is not clear whether Biran will be given another General Staff position or will retire.

The sources hinted that Chief of General Staff Lt.-Gen. Amnon Lipkin-Shahak might offer him the job of coordinating the army staff work on a future agreement with Syria, a job now being done by OC Planning Branch Maj.-Gen. Uzi Dayan:

Dayan, in turn, is being mooted as Biran's replacement, but sources close to Dayan say he is not interested in the job, preferring instead to remain in his present post and wait to be appointed OC Northern Command. Another possible replacement for Biran is OC Southern Command Maj.-Gen. Shaul Mofaz.

Bodinger is to retire in June. He is widely expected to be replaced by Maj.-Gen. Eitan Ben-Eliahu, the current deputy head of the Operations Branch.

'Saguy has not been promised Mossad job'

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POPMER OF NEXT BEAT OF The Mossad or given any other job, sources in the Prime Minister's Office said yesterday.

The statement came after Sa guy met with Prime Minister Shimon Peres, and it was later announced that Saguy might not run in the Labor primaries.

Saguy had recently joined the Labor Party, declared that he was entering the primaries and that he is after a ministerial or other executive post.

Nonetheless, the buzz word in Labor yesterday was that Peres had now offered Saguy a high position and that Saguy is consid-

The sources pointed out that the current Mossad chief will rethere has been no discussion of possible successors.

The sources added that when the time comes, there will be numerous among them several retired generals.

One source said that "Saguy is rethinking his decision to run in the Labor primaries. He has seen several polls that indicate he has no clear advantage over the other candidates in his district, and thus is reconsidering his decision to

"Since it was Peres who convinced him to run, Saguy wanted to get his advice. We are talking about a political discussion, not one about any particular job or anything else.

BATSHEVA TSUR and SARAH HONIG

tions, following reports ema-nating from Maryland last night of a hardening of Syrian State Department said. 'We are on the way to early

elections," Tourism Minister Uzi Baram was quoted as saying by Channel 1.
"It seems like we aren't going to be able to do business with the Syrians this year," Environment Minister Yossi Sarid reportedly said.

Sarid blamed Foreign Minister Ehud Barak, currently in the US, for taking too hard a line with the Syrians.

PRESSURE appears to be

mounting among cabinet ministers to push for early elec-

positions.

It seems that Barak is putting the brakes on, more than any other minister," Sarid said. In New York, Barak told the

Conference of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations that Israel will ensure that every cubic meter of water that flows into Lake Kinneret is Israeli.

"Our position on the final border has not yet been deterincluding security elements, water, and normalization."

Prime Minister Shimon Peres the TV report said, is currently looking for an excuse to advance the elections and is expected to come out and call for early balloting if US Secretary of State Warren Christopher's next Middle East shuttle, early uext mouth, does not bear fruit.

Speculation about early elections was intensified when, at a Labor ministerial caucus, Peres again urged party secretary-gen-eral Nissim Zvilli to look into advancing the party primaries.

This was done in the context of

a discussion about the party's gearing up for the electious.

Some of the ministers pressed for early elections, at which point Peres turned to Zvilli with his

In Maryland, Israeli and Syrian diplomats and military officers resumed the peace talks, the

Department spokesman Nicholas Burns said five negotiators from each side, including two Syrian and two Israeli military officers, had begun talks at Wye Plantation, about an hour's drive from Washington. He said the talks are expected to continue through tomorrow and resume on Monday for a few days.

Syrian officials named their experts as Maj.-Gen. Ibrahim Omar aud Maj.-Gen Hassan Khalil, both believed to be highranking intelligence officers. The Israelis are OC Planning Branch Maj.-Gen. Uzi Dayan and Maj.-Gen. Danny Yatom, Peres's military adviser.

The United States hopes for very serious, productive and comprehensive discussions on all the issues that are currently separating Syria and Israel," Burns in this found of the C.

The official Syrian press, meanwhile, urged Barak to au-thorize the Israeli negotiating team to accept equal security arrangements and agree to withdrawal from the Golan.

Faez Saeigh, head of the official Syrian news agency Sana, described the talks as "a golden chance" and said the Syrian team is empowered to make decisions if the Israeli team responds to the Syrian demands.

Likud leader Binyamin Netanyahu said that if his party wins the elections, it would never cede the Golan Heights.

It is not Syrian land, it is part of the State of Israel," Netan-

60 Kiryat Arba residents demand help to leave now

HERB KEINON

ABOUT 60 Kiryat Arba residents gathered yesterday to tell the media, as well as Meretz MKs Benny Temkin and Anat Maor, that the security situation on the roads has made their lives unbearable, and that they expect the government to help move them across the Green Line

The much publicized gathering, organized by Peace Now, took place on the grass outside an apartment building in the town, after attempts to fit everyone including a large contingent of journalists - into a bomb shelter failed. The local council refused to give the group permission to meet in the community center, arguing that it has no obligation to help those seeking to undermine the settlement.

"We are here only because of the security situation," said Yossi Ben-Porat. "We are afraid to drive on the roads. We don't want millions, only to extract ourselves from this mud."

The actual meeting lasted about 30 minutes, and ended shortly after a few hecklers arrived.

"You are encouraging more terror attacks," one man shouted

at the group. "You don't deserve an agora. What do you think, that buses don't blow up in Jerusalem. If you have economic problems, do what you have to do quietly. The Arabs are also listening to you. You are sowing the seeds of panic that will en-

courage more attacks." A number of policemen were on hand to separate the arguing sides, and one of the heckiers was

ushered away by the police. When Maor and Temkin made their way to their car, after telling the crowd that they will make sure the government hears their arguments, one activist shouted, You are using people's pain to make political capital."

Temkin told the group that just

as the government built numer-ous bypass roads, so it has an "obligation to answer your security concerns. We will not agree to your being kept hostage here." After the gathering, local council head Zvi Katzover called a press conference to say that the group is a small minority in the settlement, and that rather than losing residents, Kuyat Arba has absorbed 196 families in the last two years. He did not give figures

on how many families left.

Lottery fever Palestinian style

PALESTINIANS used to strike on the ninth day of every month to mark the anniversary of the intifada. Now they'll be spinning lottery wheels on that day, with proceeds going to those wounded in the

The first drawing for a top prize of NIS 100,000 will be held on March 9, Gima Samman of the private Palestinian National Lottery Tickets will go on sale today, and cost NIS 10. Everyone can buy, organizers said, including Israelis.

Samman said her company would keep 10 percent of the proceeds, and the rest would be channeled to intifada victims through the Palestinian Welfare Ministry.

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THE Council of Jewish Communities in Judea, Samaria and Gaza must do everything it can to ensure that small parties do not form on the right and siphon off votes from the "national camp,"

Yisrael Harel said yesterday. Harel was speaking to Arutz 7 after a morning of meetings held by the council in Ariel. The sessions dealt with both how best to organize for the upcoming electinns, and how settlements can continue to grow despite the new situation in the territories.

"We want in ensure that small parties that either exist or are on the verge of being established don't cause the type of damage

they did last time, when they did not consider the general need and led to the downfall of the national camp," Harel said. He said it was not yet clear whether David Levy will indeed run a new party in the

The participants at yesterday's meeting were told that right-wing parties that did not cross the electoral threshold in 1992, such as Tehiya, Rabbi Levinger's party, and the Sephardi breakaway party led by Eliezer Mizrahi, cost the Right some 85,000 vntes.

"These votes were wasted, and ensured that Rahin won the elec-

tion, bringing the Oslo accords onto the horizon," Harel said.

Harel said that the council will not only support the right wing in the next elections, but will also provide it with nrganizational

Though the settlement leaders were also scheduled to talk about further development, Harel said that everyone understands that the future of the settlements will be determined by the elections.

Not everyone was happy with the agenda of the meetings, and one executive member, former MK Elyakim Ha'etzni, decided

Government, opposition clash over PA elections aftermath

he changed if the peace process is to cootinue, Environment Minister Yossi Sarid told the Knesset yesterday, in response to several mntinns to the agenda on the Palestinian elections.

The government is united in its stand that the changes to the Palestinian Covenant will not be a trick. If the covenant is not canceled, there can be not trust between us. And without trust there can be no cootinuation of the peace process. I say this imequivocally," Sarid said.

Sarid stressed the need for the rescinding of the clauses calling fur tsrael's destruction, rather than the creation of a new

covenant to replace them. During the discussion, opposition MKs attacked the government for its decision to allow terror leaders to return to the territories. "Nayef Hawatmeh is like an Eichmann. Hawatmeh, like his other master terroriat friends, should be brought here in shackles for a trial and, like Eichmann, hanged, His ashes should he scattered across the Middle East, which is drenched in the blood of his victims," said David Mena (Likud).

Like must uf the opposition MKs, Mena recalled Hawatmeh's involvement in the terror attack

voices are calling out from their graves," he said.

"If he comes, he comes," Peres told reporters yesterday. "The question is not whether he will be tried, but rather whether he will be in Syria or in Gaza. I don't see any advantage in his being in

Hanan Porat (National Religious Party) accused the government of having no red lines and being immoral.

Sarid shot back. "Basing yourself on the past is not necessarily moral," he said. "And if we are trying to prevent wars and terror as far as possible, can there be anything more moral?"



Members of a new, grassroots peace movement, which will act to raise support for the peace process and strengthen democratic values, announced its foundation at a Tel Aviv press conference yesterday and displayed their slogan "A whole generation demands peace." The assassination of Yitzhak Rabin and the mass mourning period afterward brought hundreds of thousands of young people to the realization that they must actively support the peace process if it is to survive, (Text: Michal Yudehman; Photo: Israel Sun) movement founders said.

Peres: Mà'aleh Adumim will remain in Israel

HERB KERTON and BATSHEVA TSUR

MA'ALEH Adamim will remain part of Israel in any agreement with the Palestinians, Mayor Benny Kashriel said he was assured by Prime Minister Shimon Peres yesterday.

According to Kashriel, Peres assured him that his policy toward Ma'aleb Adumim is the same as that of Yitzhak Rabin. Rabin told the Knesset prior to the ratification of the Oslo 2 agreements in October that he envisions that a number of settlement hlocks will be annexed to Israel, including Ma'aleh

Kashriel said that Peres's statement is the first time he has come out in favor of including Ma'aleh Adumim inside Israel. Kashriet initiated the meeting with Peres.

Last night, after his meeting with Palestinian Authority Chairman Yasser Arafat, Peres expanded on his statements and said Israel will not annex any settlement, including Ma'aleh Adumim, before a final agreement is

Peres was twice asked to relate to reports that he had promised to keep the town part of a greater Jerusalem. He replied that Israel will abide by "the Camp David accords and the Oslo agreements, which stipulate that we cannot

'Hawatmeh wants to return to Palestine'

JON IMMANUEL

the rejectionist Democratic Front two years at least. And all he has the Palestinian National Council, Palestinian National Council anyan official in his Damascus office said yesterday.

Israel has invited rejectionist members of the PNC to return for a trial period in order to change their views on the Oslo accords' and to allow PLO chairmao Yasser Arafat to convene a PNC session. Its purpose is to revoke anti-Israel clauses in the PLO convening the newly elected legislative council after Ramadan. The council would therefore have to meet by the end of April.

Hawatmeh "is ready and always has been asking to get back

NAYEF Hawatmeh, leader of to Palestine and openly asking for way. He is oot a member of the National Council," said an offi-cial identifying himself as Ahmad Yasser Kayali.

Unlike many other PLO officials, Hawatmeh has no former home here, having been born east of the Jordan River. Although mostly associated with attacks on military targets, he is Covenant within two months of said to be behind the Ma'alot attack in which 24 Israeli schoolchildren died in 1974.

Kayali said he estimated there were 30 DFLP members of the PNC living in Damascus, Amman and Lebanon.

Jerusalem slates NIS 60m. for Arab development

BILL HUTMAN

AN unprecedented NIS 60 million is being allocated for development projects in Arab sections saying the move is an effort to strengthen Israel's hold on the

A review of the 1996 city budget shows that the bulk of this money is going to building new classrooms, as part of an Education Ministry allocation lobbied for strongly by Mayor Ehnd Olmer_L

In other areas, such as welfare, roadwork, and planning, allocations for Arab neighborhoods still lag behind those to Jewish ones.

"We don't have any misconceptions that by providing better services in Arab neighborhoods, we will coovince Arab residents they are better off under Israeli

Meir told a City Hall press conference. equally ... if the city is to remain

NEWS

Services and infrastructure in Arab sections of the capital lag far behind those in Jewish ones, with little funding having gone to the Arab sector in the past. The Olmert administration's policy, as put forth in the budget, is: "As Jerusalem is a unified city, under Israeli sovereignty, we must en-

sure equality [in funding]." The development budget for Jerusalem's Arab neighborhoods is NIS 60.4m. out of a total development budget of NIS 272m. Before Olmert, city officials said, Arab neighborhoods received less that NIS 10m. annually.

Arafat accused of intimidating Palestinian journalists lem. "I released him only berule," Deputy Mayor Shmuel PALESTINIAN journalists were

so intimidated by the possibility of arrest for writing the wrong what they barrier covered the Reporters without Borders, the Paris-based media watchdog, said

As evidence of reporters' fears they pointed to the fact that hardly one Palestinian journalist came to their press conference at the National Palace Hotel on Jerusalem's Zahra Street. One editor told the group that

he did not cover the elections ."because it was the only way to be sure not to be arrested," Thicrry Gravellier said.

Three weeks before the elections, Palestinian Authority Chairman Yasser Arafat arrested an editor at Al-Quds, the biggest selling Jerusalem Arabic daily.

His offense was that be did not publish on the front page a Hethry of Arafat being compared by the Greek Orthodox patriarch to Omar al-Khatib, the seventh century conqueror of Jerusalem. Arafat, whose wife is Chris-

tian, said at a meeting with American Peace Now supporters last Friday that the Christian community was offended by the omission. He called the journalist in question, Maher Alami, "a collaborator who planted confusion between Moslems and Christians."

While Alami said there had been no room on the front page, Arafat said "the Israelis kept the picture off the page," because of their political position on Jerusa-

cause Prime Minister Shimon Peres contacted me. He was going to be taken to the courts." free press according to law. "I am committed to these laws, Egyptian law in Gaza and Jordanian law in the West Bank. I cannot change them." Under the law, he said, "It is forbidden to make confusion between Christians and Moslems. This is not Lebanon."

activists who was himself arrested for a day before the elections. then released after an international outcry, said the situation was more like Syria or Iraq.

"I was in Iraq and it seems very similar. All of the violations will after two or three years take very deep roots," if not uprooted now,

Acre students kept home from school in protest over collaborator resettlement

MORE than 10,000 children in Acre did not attend school yesterday as part of a campaign by Jewish and Arah residents against the resettlement of collaborators from the territories and their families in the city. The one-day warning strike

was called by the public action committee established by residents with the full support of the municipality.

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Daughter: Ilana Traub

Son: Meir Teper

DAVID RUDGE

Mayor Eli De Castro sent a cahle to Deputy Defense Minister Ori Orr calling for urgent action to be taken by the Defense Ministry to move the families out of Acre and settle them elsewhere.

Not all parents supported the school strike, although the municipal spokesman said there was a consensus among residents regarding the aims of the campaign. The strike was also criticized

by Deputy Education Minister Micha Goldman who said it was unfair to the children. The residents and the municipality claim that the collaborators

and their families are controversial and problematic, and their moving into Acre could upset the harmonious, hut delicate, relations hetween Jews and Arahs developed over 45 years.

The municipality spokesman stressed that Acre had enough problems of a demographic and socio-economic nature without adding to the burden. According to some reports,

about 40 families from the territories have moved into city in the past few months.

The municipal spokesman said everybody understood the necessity to help those who had helped the state and that they should be provided with homes and security - but not in Acre.

The Prime Minister's Office said last night that the government has a moral obligation to ensure the personal security and full rehabilitation of collaborators, who helped the Israeli authorities in the territories.

Talks and sanctions continue over Rafael workers' dispute

TALKS between the Rafael management and the Treasury and the Histadrut continued in Tel Aviv last night in an effort to reach an agreement over dismissal terms for 250 employees of the devetopment armaments

Workers at the giant plant south of Acre are continuing with their sanctions, including refusing to answer phones or operate computers, as part of the campaign tn get preferentiat conditions for those who are to

Yigal Cohen, head of the trade union department of the Histadrut's Haifa branch, said he was hopeful an agreement over the dismissal terms would be

He said there were signs that their demands for severance payments and other conditions, over and above the stipulated minimum, would be accepted in part if not in full.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Third Way opens office in capital The Third Way movement opened its Jerusalem office last night, at a gathering attended by movement head Avigdor Kahalani, and his fellow Labor hreakaway MK Emanuel

Kahalami told those present that as a soldier who has seen many wars, he wanted peace more than anyone, but not peace

Woman likely winner of Gaza seat

With Palestinian council election results creeping toward an official conclusion, Rawya Shawa, an independent woman candidate, appears to have won a seat in Gaza City, which would make her the fifth woman to be elected to the 88-member

Shawa was in a see-saw battle with Said Mas'hal, a millionaire businessman who reportedly spent hundreds of thousands of dollars on his campaign.

Police broadcast tape of Amir confessing

THE media yesterday broadcast a police interrogation tape in which Yigal Amir is heard confessing that he murdered Yitzhak Rabin.

"I confess to the murder of Yitzhak Rabin. I am innocent of guilt of attempting to murder the bodyguard," Amir said on the portion broadcast on

The interrogator asked: "Did you at this stage know how you would commit Rabin's murder?" Amir: "No. I went and I knew if I had the opportunity to be close to him (here the interrogntor interrupts and allows Amir to check be is accurately transcribing, theu Amir resumes in mid-sentence) then I would shoot him."





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now available for cancer pain

A SKIN patch containing a morphine derivative has been supplied here for the first time. The recipients are two cancer patients, and the patch will relieve their severe chronic pain and allow them to pursue their daily

The Swedish drug, called Fentanyl, has been approved by the Health Ministry on an individual hasis, under aupervision hy Shaare Zedek Hospital doctors. The ministry is expected to approve its general use for suitable cancer patients in about six months. according to Dr. Nathan Cherny, head of the Jerusalem hospital's unit for cancer pain and palliative medicine. He also expects that the health funds will be ohliged to cover the cost for memhers prescribed with the patch, which is worn on the back; stomach or other hairless parts of of pain.

the body for three days at a time. Cherny, who had experience using the patch in the US, was the first Israeli physician to receive mioistry permission to use it

He said the patch is a boon for the 10 percent to 30 percent of cancer patients who cannot swallow morphine pills - either because of recurrent vomiting or for those having oral or esophagal cancer - and those with severe side effects from oral morphine or dissatisfaction with supposi-

Another recently imported weapon in the hospital's arsenal against cancer pain is a transistor-radio-sized pump worn under clothing that injects a spurt: of high-dosage morphine into the patient continuously or

New measures to fight wolf packs on Golan,

CONSERVATIONISTS .. aod farmers are joining forces to stop. wolf packs on the Golan from causing extensive damage to livestock - without harming the wolves themselves.

New measures are being adopted to try to control the packs, which are thought responsible for recent attacks on sheep and-

The problem for the farmers could be easily resolved by shooting the wolves, except that they are classified as an endangered species and protected by law. -

According to some experts, the wolves on the Golan are a very rare species and face extinction unless stringent measures are takcn to safesnard them... Nature Reserve Authority spokesperson Dina Weiostein said that very few attacks had occurred io those areas where farmers had cordoned off grazing land or cattle pens with electrified fences.

* Additional methods, however, were also being adopted, she said, including traps to catch wolves and them fit them with electronic devices enabling their movements to be monitored.

Other steps involve the estab-lishment of "food stations," where it is hoped the wolves will feed, instead of preying on sheep and cattle, especially the young. "We have already set up sever-

al of these food stations as well as traps and some of the wolves devices, said Wemstem.

The plant is to treat sewage

ran-off from the two cities to the

east. To the west, Israel is already

building a new sewage plant for

Jerusalem, to which Bethlehem

Efrati noted that the east-west

division in the sewage system had

"nothing to do with politics," and everything to do with geography

"The monotainons terrain

makes for a natural divisioo

where one part of the cities sew-

age runs off to the east, and the other to the west," he said.

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Jerusalem, Bethlehem to build joint sewage plant

"SEWAGE knows no borders" is the mono of Palestinian and Israeli oegotiators who are near agreement on a joint sewage treatment plant for Bethlehem and Jerusalem.

Jerusalem city manager Ya'acov Efrati said yesterday that negotiations are being conducted by the Foreign and Environment ministries, and should be completed soon.

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Morphine patch Ministry to discuss destruction of Ethiopian blood donations

HEALTH Minister Ephraim Such said yesterday that Magen David Adom acted properly in destroying most blood donated hy Ethiopian immigrants, because the incidence of AIDS carriers among them is 50 times that of the veteran Israeli population.

He added, however, that it was unfortunate MDA does not tell Jews from Ethiopia who come to donate blood that it is unlikely their blood will be used.

Sneh was reacting to an investi-gation by *Ma'ariv*, which report-ed that nearly all the blood MDA collects from Ethiopian Jewish immigrants is destroyed without informing donors.

Sneh will today convene the ministry's advisory committee on immuno-hematology and hlood groups to discuss the matter of blood donations from Ethiopian immigrants and other high-risk

Absorption Minister Yair Tzaban called on Sneh to appoint a committee to investigate the af-

Dr. Amnon Ben-David, director of MDA'a blood services, said that if any immigrant from Ethiopia was offended by Ma'ariv's revelation that his donation was probably destroyed, "we apologize retroactively. However. most of the Ethiopian immigrants who give blood are soldiers who come with their buddies to donate. We thought that singling out an ethnic group and telling them to go home would be more offensive and embarrassing.

"All the immigrants who donate get blood insurance, even if their donation isn't used," Ben-David said. "International rules bar accepting the blood of any. high-risk group, and this includes immigrants from African countries like Ethiopia, as well as homosexuals and drug addicts."

Since the early Eighties, 48 pints of donated blood have been found to have the HIV virus; four migrants, Ben David said.

30 The MDA blood official asserted that Ma'ariv "ambushed" MDA by sending a team "on the pretense of doing a positive story to promote blood donation. They brought a former Ethiopian immigrant and followed what we did with his blood.

"We fear the publication of the



A lab worker checks blood samples in a Jerusalem hospital yesterday. A report in 'Ma'ariv revealed that to reduce the risk of using blood contaminated by the AIDS virus, most blood donated by Ethiopian immigrants was destroyed without informing them.

story will only add to the stigma the general public, who will needlessly fear social contact with this group. The AIDS virus can be transmitted only through so or blood contact. Now that the story has broken, there is no reason for discretion, and we will tell Ethiopian immigrants their blood

will probably not be used." Beo-David added that blood

taken from anyone who identifies addict, is not used for mansiusions. Those who don't want to identify themselves as such may check a box on the questionnaire marked "Not for Transfusion. MDA calls them later to ask if this was a mistake or if there is a

reason for them not to donate. However, if an Ethiopian immigrant or other high-risk indi-

yidual is found to have a very larg in again to donate, he is checked to see whether he is HIV free; if so, the frozen pint is defrosted and used for transfusions

There is a period of several weeks to six months, doring which people may have been infected with HIV but the antibodies do not show up in tests.

Forum rejects cutting NII benefits to rich

LIAT COLLINS

THE Knesset Labor and Social Affairs Committee yesterday rejected the initiative of the Knesset's social cancus to cut benefits of top wage earners in order to increase those of the lowest eco-

Committee chairman Yossi Katz (Labor) stressed the importance of preserving non-discriminatory principles in the allocation of benefits. He asked for an urgent discussion with Prime Minister Shimon Peres and other MKs to prevent any possible misunderstanding of the committee's social

"Payment to the National Insurance Institute is in essence made on a scale according to earnings but its payment of benefits is oniform. Anything that harms this universal principle could bring about the ruin of the NIL" Katz said

Labor and Social Affairs Minister Ora Namir was not present at yesterday's meeting hut forwarded a message saying: "I'm not willing to join in the primary campaign carnival of the social

"The government without batling an eyelid approved the transfer of NIS 2.2, billion to employers to cut their labor costs without having to mobilize external sources of funding and yet they want to use the NII benefits, of all places, as the source to cover the cost of the hudget deficit. One can only oppose this populist trend which ultimately can only hart the working public and pensioners," Katz said.

"The proposal would cut the branch that the NII sits on," said MK Tamar Gozansky (Hadash). "If you hit the social benefits of the wich who now more to the MII.

Haim Lichtenberg of the Pensioners Union said every effort should be made to preserve the has iocreased by some 430% since 1988; the old-age pensions have increased by 186%. "This proposal will ultimately result in making the pensioners poorer."

Psychosomatic patient cost health system NIS 250,000

Kupat Holim Clalit made 113 visits to doctors and noderweot complicated and often repeated diagnostic tests - costing the health fund a total of NIS 250,000 over two years - even though nothing was wrong with her.

The prohibitive cost of dealing with patients suffering from "somatization" - a psychiatric syndrome in which the patient complains of medical symptoms that don't really exist - is reported in the latest issue of Harefuah, the journal of the Israel Medical Association.

Dr. Andre Mataloo, of Tel Aviv University's Sackler Medi-cal School and district physician of Clalit's Petah Tikva region, writes that the case was an extreme one. However, imagined. symptoms for which no physical cause has been found occur in 20 percent to 80 percent of all pa-

Matalon notes that in today's

A 45-YEAR-OLD member of era of lawsuits, many doctors send patients for expensive, but unnecessary tests merely as protection from being found guilty if

> Asked to comment, Clalit spokeswomao Rahel Bloostein said that the geoeral practitioner usually serves as an intermediary between the patient and medical specialists. But in some cases, patients see specialists without informing them of the tests they have already oodergone and doctors they have previously seen.

A computerized system now being introduced into Clalit will, however, make it possible to pick up exceptional cases like this, in which resources are wasted on patients without medical problems, she added.

Bloustein said a copy of the Harefuah article will be sent to

Clalit director-general Avigdor Kaplan, who will consider how to deal with the problem.

Hershel Shanks, the editor of Understanding the Dead Sea Scrolls, is an international authority on Jarusalam. His latest book on Jarusalam archaeology traces the turbulent history of the Holy City 3000 years after its establishment as the capital of Israel. The great builders of Jerusalem - King Hezekiah, the builder of a famous water tunnel, and Herod who rebuilt the Temple, as well as destructive armies of Babylonians led by

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Sarid protests plan to poison stray cats

LIAT COLLINS

and DAVID RUDGE

THE planned mass poisoning of cats by the Ma'aleh Adumim Municipality is illegal, according to Environment Minister Yossi Sarid, who sent a stern warning to Mayor Benny Kashriel.

Local animal-loving residents, alerted to the municipality's plans hy a notice in a local newspaper, have spent the week campaigning to save the cats. Sarid and several animal welfare societies, including Lev Lechai and the Jerusalem SPCA, noted that the use of poison to control the feral cat problem is illegal under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Law.

The groups suggested instead that the cat population growth be checked by an organized nentering campaign.

The municipality said the action was needed to cope with the problem of a huge population of stray cats.

Meanwhile in the Golan, the Nature Reserves Authority (NRA) said rangers had discovered incidents of poisoning in the past week which had resulted in the death of four jackals, a sheepdog and a female wolf.

NRA rangers went to the scene and found the dead animals alongside the carcass of a calf which had apparently been deliberately covered in poison in order to kill any animals which tried to NRA spokesperson Dina

Weinstein noted that the Druse residents of the Golan were allowed to graze their goats and cattle on part of the training

She said there was a strong suspicion that they were responsible for the illegal poisoning, in an effort to keep the protected wild animals from attacking their

NEWS IN BRIEF

Turkish president due here Turkish President Suleiman Demirel is due to pay an official visit to Israel next month as the guest of President Ezer

Weizman. Demirel was to have come here last November but postponed his visit because of the assassination of Yitzhak Rabin. He was invited to Israel by Weizman during the president's state visit to Turkey in January, 1994. **Rothschild Miscellany facsimile stolen**

A facsimile of the Rothschild Miscellany was stolen on Tuesday from the Italian Museum of Jewish Art in Jerusalem. Last year, another facsimile of the same manuscript was stolen One of the most lavishly executed Hebrew manuscripts of

the late 15th century, the Rothschild Miscellany, comprising more than 70 works, encompasses all the religious and secular traditions of Jewish life. The facsimile is valued at \$10,000. Museum staff have no

idea how it was removed. "Someone just came in and took it," said a spokeswomen. Greer Fay Cashman

Jerusalem casino raided Jerusalem police raided an illegal casino run at a shopping mall before dawn yesterday, arresting eight people and confiscating hundreds of thousands of shekels in cash and state-of-the-art gambling equipment.

Police believe a well-known city businessman is behind the casino, operated in the Yisrael Brothers Mall in the Talpiot industrial zone. The casino was run under the cover of an office on the second floor.

The casino's main attraction was a large automatic roulette machine, which is believed to have brought in NIS 1 million month for the owners.

Maiden names bill moves forward A married woman would be entitled to keep her maiden name and use it in addition to her husband's surname on all documents, according to a bill which passed its first reading in the Knesset this week.

The bill, submitted by 15 MKs from the Likud, Tsomet, Meretz, and Hadash, raised the wrath of the haredi parties. Knesset Law Committee chairman Dedi Zucker (Meretz), presenting the bill, said: "A person's name is an integral part of his personality. It's his social ID. It's not just an identification code, but an expression of his personality.

Upper Nazareth targeted for growth The government will help Upper Nazareth double its population in the coming years and become a city with 100,000 residents, Zvi Alderoti, director-general of the Prime Minister's Office, promised Mayor Menahem Ariav when he visited the city on Tuesday.

Ariav said there was a severe shortage of housing in Upper

Nazareth as a result of the mass influx of new immigrants to the city which had boosted the population by 80 percent to 44,000

Chechen

rebels

release

hostages

NOVOGROZNENSKY, Russia (Reuter) - Chechen rebels yes-

terday released 42 civilian hostages seized in a raid in the neighboring region of Dagestan which ended in a bloody show-

The hostages, looking tired but

glad to be going home, left io a

yellow bus from a two-storey

school huilding in the eastern

The bus, which followed a convoy of cars with Dagestani

officials and religious leaders,

wound through a crowd of sev-

eral bundred Chechens chanting

"Allahu Akhbar" (God is

Greatest) and "troops out, troops

Some people were perched on

had been well treated hy the

rehels and some exchanged

warm farewells with their cap-

Some had heen seized on

January 9, when the rebels herd-

ed 2,000 people into a hospital

in the Dagestan town of Kizlyar

to press demands for Russian

troops to he withdrawn from

Chechnya after more than 13

Others were captured in the

the Chechen-Dagestan horder,

village of Pervomaiskoye near

where the convoy of rebels and

hostages was blocked and then

The Chechens are still holding

seized ontside

some police commandos who

Pervomaiskoye. They want to

exchange them for rebels who

were captured by the Russian

Itar-Tass news agency said 45

hostages were freed hut

The village was almost totally

reporters on the scene put the

surrounded by Russian troops.

months of conflict there.

trees to get a better view. Most of the hostages said they

tors as they left.

town Novogroznensky where they had

down with Russian troops.

heen held.

TUZLA (AP) - A fear of car homh attacks and concerns about a former US Army special forces soldier led to a heightened state of alen at NATO bases in Bosnia,

officials said yesterday. The heightened alert was reported hy the command of the NATOled force overseeing a peace deal for Bosnia. It said that guards and security officers had been cautioned against letting an African-American in his 30s named Kevin

Holt on any base. In addition, a US NATO source said yesierday that US soldiers had seen a car with a group of soldiers suspected of being muja-hedeen fighters parked Monday near the Tuzla air hase.

In Washington yesterday, US Defense Secretary William Perry confirmed the US troops were on a high alert hut said he knew of "no reports of any terrorist or extremist actually trying to get into US facilities.

Asked ahout Holt, Perry told reporters there was one American who may be in the area as a potential terrorist - that's exactly the concern that we have had from the beginning" of the US deployment to the Balkans.

Perry offered no other details. Sources in Tuzla, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the danger may have been overblown hy a military chain of command in which officers are filing multiple reports 10 cover themselves in

case something goes wrong. They said the situation appeared to be calming down.

The base, about a 20-minute drive south of Tuzla, is the headquarters for the US force in northeast Bosnia. When the force is fully deployed, about a third of its 60,000 soldiers will be Americans.

As US soldiers tried to approach the car, it drove off, the source said, That incident, together with threats by Islamic extremists that Farrakhan meets Gaddafi

they may target US soldiers serving in Bosnia in retaliation for the life sentence given to their leader Sheik Omar Abdel Rahman convinced of plotting a terrorist acts in New York City last year, raised fears among US commanders.

Possible attacks hy Islamic extremists have been a major concern for planners of the US mission in Bosnia. Islamic fighters came to Bosnia early in the country's 3 1/2-year war to help the Moslem-led government.

But they became a liability as the government sought more political and military assistance from the West, and its own armed

forces improved.

Under the Dayton peace agreement, all non-NATO foreign forces including the mujahedeen units, were to leave Bosnia as of

last week. Some have been filtering out through Croatia in the past week. But others have taken Bosnian citizenship or have jobs working for relief organizations, or have joined the Bosnian army. They have "new jobs, or new names, or new passports," said another NATO source.

No more than a couple dozen remain in mujahedeen fighting units, that source said.

The United States has been pressing to get those mujahedeen units, as well as the soldiers who have joined the Bosnian army, demobilized, the source said.

Reinforced military police units were on guard at the front of the hase yesterday. A day earlier, some reporters experienced tighter searches hefore they entered the hase, and army dogs were seen sniffing around the headquarters' command center.

It was not clear whether fears of a car bomh attack were at all connected with the alert about a US citizen with sympathy for extrem-

President Bill Clinton shakes hands with Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich after giving the State of the Union address Tuesday. (Research)

WORLD NEWS

Clinton hits campaign trail

WASHINGTON (Reuter) - President Bill Clinton went on the road yesterday with his State of the Union pitch in middle class voters arnid signs of a thaw in his hudget hostilities

Clining, whose centre-of-the-road posture with Congress. propelled him inm the White House three years ago, appealed for an end to partisan divisions in a televised speech on Tuesday night that effectively launched his re-election campaign.

Styling himself as above partisanship, the 49-year-old Democrat sketched a 21st century in which Republicans and Democrats team up and families and communities - not costly government programmes - bear much of the burden for making the United States work bet-

The era of hig government is over," he said, echoing a frequent refrain of the most popular

Simpson endured a second day

of questioning about his

actions and his alibi the day

his ex-wife and ber friend

were murdered, and attorneys

suggested they caught him in a

The former American foot-

ball star has been acquitted of

criminal charges in their mur-

ders, hut the families of the

victims bave filed a civil law-

snit accusing him of wrongful

The questioning is part of

"We have heard answers that

have not been consistent with

things that have been put out

in the past," said John Q.

Kelly, who represents the

estate of Nicole Brown

preparations for the civil trial,

to he held in April.

Simpson.

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More questioning

of Simpson

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related to "time frames, time-

line, how certain things

Kelly said the deposition

focused on Simpson's activi-

ties, including his trip to

Chicago, the night Ms.

"There was some discussion,

of golf,' Kelly said, when

asked if Simpson was ques-

tioned about his alibi that he

was "chipping" golf halls in his front yard at the time pros-

ecutors claimed the murders

Kelly and lawyers for the par-

ents of Ronald Goldman kept

most details of Simpson's tes-

timony to themselves. A tran-

script of the session is expect-

ed to be released at some

Simpson and Ronald Goldman

US president in modern times, Republican

Clinton, whose speech was laced with Ronald Reagan. Republican themes, was expected to repeat his challenge to Americans to pull together - and address middle-class concerns abour crime during a speaking trip to Lonisville, Kentucky,

With him on the trip to a state that will be one of the midwest battlegrounds in this year's presidential campaign were Attorney General Janet Reno and the military hero he tapped to head the new anti-drug crusade, Army Gen. Barry McCaffrey.

A CBS opinion poll conducted immediately after Clinton's speech showed that seven out of 10 Americans liked what they heard - but less: than half the country tuned into his speech. Despite his conservative sounding rhetoric,

Clinton laid out an agenda likely to resonate with the middle class whose votes will decide the Nov. 5 election.

He proposed giving \$1,000 scholarships to the top 5 percent of every US high school graduating class each year - a plan that would require congressional approval - and spoke of curbing violence on television, cracking down on teenage gangs, buttressing community efforts to fight polluters and raising the mini-

Clinton also challenged congressional Republicans on the ongoing budget battle. He suggested passing the parts of a balanced budget plan that he and they agree on.

In television interviews, yesterday. House of Representatives Speaker Newt Gingrich sounded receptive to the idea, and the White House made encouraging noises too.

Polish PM to resign after allegations of pying for Ruccians with them.

WARSAW (AP) - The military prosecutor's office said yesterday it would investigate allegations that Prime Minister Jozef Oleksy spied for Moscow for more than a decade. The announcement led to the former Communist's resignaion late last night after serving less than a year in office.

Oleksy, who said he would address the issue on television last night, has denied the charges that were first made last month. He had resisted calls by opposition parties and even from within his leftist coalition to step aside, hut suggested be would consider doing so if the military prosecutor

opened a formal investigation.
Oleksy, 49, is the first former Communist to be Poland's prime minister since the Communist regime lost power in 1989. In March, 1995, be became democratic Poland's sixth prime minis-

had been friends with a man who later proved a top KGB spy in Poland, but claimed he had only had social contacts with him.

supporters of former President Lech Walesa supporters of fabricating the alleged evidence against him. Walesa lost his reelection bid to Oleksy's party colleague, Aleksander Kwasniewski. in November.

The Peasants Party, junior part-ner in Oleksy's coalition government, has threatened to form a new government with opposition parties or force new elections unless the ex-Communists agree to cabinet changes.

He also accused disappointed

Despite the controversy, how-ever, recent opinion polls show the former Communists are gain-ing support among ordinary Poles, while the opposition has

destroyed when the Russian troops stormed it. But a group of rebels hroke through Russian lines out of the besieged village and took some of their hostages brother to brother. A new life began for us after we sat for

forces.

total at 42.

three days under the bombing in Pervomaiskoye," said hostage Ruslan Magomedov, 23, a businessman from Kizlyar. Another, Anatoly Zdebsky, 25,

said he was happy to be going back to his family and bore no grudges against the Chechens. They kept us in various

bomes, looked after us and fed us well."

The buses crossed the Chechen-Dagestan border at about 5 p.m. Moscow time in the direction of the Dagestani town of Khasavyurt, Tass said, quoting the head of the Khasavyurt district administration.

Before the release there was a meeting in the school attended ... hy the Dagestani delegation and Chechen rebel leaders, including commander in chief Aslan Maskhadov, Salman Raduyev, who led the rehel raid in Dagestan, also attended.

A member of the Dagestani. parliament, Gadji Makhachev, told the meeting that the group to be released were not really hostages.

"These lads saved their lives," he said, referring to the fact that the rebels had taken them out of Pervomaiskoye during the attack hy the Russian forces. "The Chechens said we could take our people home. They are our neighbors."

TUNIS (Reuter) - Lihyan leadet effective black Moslem lobby in the United States Uther's official the United States, Libya's official news agency JANA reported yes-JANA said that Gaddafi and Farrakhan discussed at their that it works for the persecuted fuesday meeting "the situation of

Moslems in America and the ways to unify, mobilize, and organize them in proper institutions with the aim of getting an important and an influential role in the next US elections". The agency quoted Farrakhan, leader of Nation of

on black lobby America in order to play an important and strong role not only in the American elections but also in the US foreign policy in a way

The agency said Farrakhan's meeting with Gaddafi "incar-nates" the Lihyan leader's call last September to organize 10 million Moslems and Arabs in the United States to make them influential

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Dog shoots man in hunting accident

INEZ: Kentucky (AP) - Man shoots dog: not unheard of. But dog shoots man?

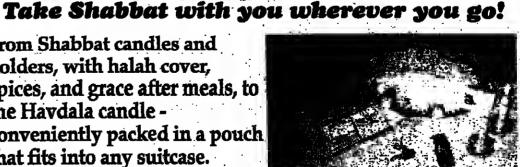
It happened during a hunting outing when a spaniel named Rusty stepped on the trigger of a shotgun and hlasted 45-year-old Phillip Smith in both legs. He was hospitalized in satisfactory condi-

"It's not funny that the guy got shot," said Martin County Sheriff

Darriel Young. "But it's kind of funny how he got shot." Authorities said Smith and dog

owner John Phillips were hunting together Monday when the 15month-old dog retrieved a downed bird. Phillips was trying to take the hird away when Rusty stepped on the trigger of a 12-gauge shotgun and it went off.

Young said he had no plans to arrest the dog.



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Get '96 winter bargains now

t's countdown time for the end of winter sales. With just under one week left till the end of the month, and the threat of more cold weather to come, anyone interested in buying winter clothing at reduced prices should do so now.

Bargains are of course relative to one's income. It's all very well to know that prices have been slashed by up to 70%, but that's of scant comfort to an average wage earner, if the end of season. price tag on a suit is still well in excess of NIS 1,000.

Nonetheless, there are some very good bargains both on imported merchandise and on garments bearing local labels such as Gideon Oberson, Castro, Honigman, Gershon Bram, Cafe, Optimum, Mango, Dorit Sadeb, Dorin Frankfurt and Bijou. The

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latter is one of several brands which guarantee trendy clothes for large sized women.

Both Gershon Bram and Dorin Frankfurt have added men's lines to their collections, though nothing as classic as a Boss or a Bagir suit. Their creations are much more casual and far less constricting.

Money is the only major consideration during end of season shopping. Even more important than the cost of a garment, is whether it will still be fashionable at this time next year.

Classics are always a safe bet. So are neutral colors. Beware of collars and lapels which are very · od.

greater the differences.

wide, because they will quickly become dated. Likewise, be careful of pants widths. Straightlegged trousers, especially with regard to durables such as jeans. will never go out of style.

The mini dress looks as if it's here to stay, but just in case it's not, wear pants when you go shopping, and that way you can check that your prospective purchase can also double as a

If you intend to hiry several outfits, and money poses a problem, Hamasbbir, is a better proposition than a regular clothing store, which usually places a three installments limit on payments. At Hamashbir, depending on the amount of your purchase, you can pay of your monthly installments over an 18 month peri-

When a sale is not a sale

CAVEAT EMPTOR! RUTHIE BLUM

OLA drinkers who frequent the Supersol chain may have recently noticed a special sale on Pepsi. "11/2 liters plus 1/2 liter free!"

In other words: buy the twoliter bottle and pay the price of its liter-and-a-half counterpart. On December 5, B.B. entered

the Carmel branch of Supersol in Haifa (located at 124 Sderot Hanassi). Catching sight of the brightly colored Pepsi labels boasting a bargain, he happily put a bottle in his shopping cart. When he arrived home, he studied the itemized bill, and discovered that he had been charged the full price (NIS 5.50) for the large bottle of Pepsi.

Sorry..." replied the branch manager with a shrug. "That sale was only good for the month of November." B.B. patiently pointed out that the label makes no mention of a final date of sale. "That's not my concern, snapped the manager. "I didn't write the labels. Tempo [the Israeli Pepsi franchise] is

So B.B. wrote a letter of complaint to Tempo that was acknowledged by marketing director Doron Frankenstein. No reply was forthcoming, however. It is thus that B.B. turned to me for assistance.

Frankenstein apologized for not having gotten back to B.B. sooner, and assured me that compensation was in order. He explained the mishap as follows: When we made the arrangement with the Supersol chain to sell the larger bottles of Pepsi at the price of the smaller bottles. an assumption was made that all of the discount bottles would be sold by the end of November, Leftover merchandise should have been returned to us, or sold at the discount price."

The Supersol Carmel branch manager was as curt with me as he had been with B.B. "Prices are fixed at the chain's main office. I have no say in the matter. Talk to them." Deputy director of trade at Su-

persol, Mottl Sela, said the price of the large Pepsi bottles had



been hiked back up automatically on the last day of November. "Once we were alerted to the fact

that discount bottles remained on our shelves," he continued, "we lowered the price hack to NIS 2.99." According to Sela, this "code

reprogramming" was executed on January 10, and will remain in effect until February 29. Sela. too, was apologetic about what happened to B.B. He urges customers who had a similar experience to return to their supermarkets for reimbursement. "This is all well and good," I

replied, "But what about the shoulder-shrugging branch man-ager in Haifa? How could be have responded to a customer in such a fashion? Even if pricing is not up to him, surely he knows how to read. Shouldn't be have covered for the error, and reimpocket, if necessary?"

"You're absolutely right!" said Sela. "There is no excuse for such behavior." Over a week later B.B. received a call from his branch manager. "You the guy whn complained?" he asked in an accusatory tone. "Come to the supermarket and pick up a small gift," he muttered, apparently peeved at having been reprimanded by his superiors.

Considering the effort B.B. invested to correct an injustice to consumers all over the country, Tempo and Supersol could have given him a bit more of their attention. Perhaps representatives of such large outfits cannot take time out of their busy schedules to dial a few digits to appease a dissatisfied client in pursuit of a couple of shekels.

They would do well to learn a lesson in customer relations from the manager of Mahsanei Mazon

Yerushalayim in the Talpint section of Jerusalem. When my groceries were delivered last week, all of the frozen foods and milk products were missing. Supermarket manager Moshe Zvalun not only apolngized, but he personally took down a list of the items, and reloaded a cart (claiming he wouldn't want me to have to wait for the delivery men to locate merchandise which might have spoiled in the meantime). He then sent it to my home with a peace offering in the form of an expensive box of pralmes.

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ILLIONS of years of living history are locked up in every cell of your body.

Recently, a team of US scientists announced that it has developed a technique that will enable genetic archeologists to lay bare details of this history to reveal the basis of human identity.

Digging out fossils with a hammer and chisel is one way to show who we are as a species and how we came to be. Now it seems that a new tool, one

with the ungainly name of "denaturing high-performance liquid chromatogramay say more about our origins by helping geneticists to search for tiny changes in the genetic blueprint held in every cell.

That DNA hlueprint has been passed down from generation to generation, beginning with our most distant ancestors, the primitive bacteria that lived four billion years before Homo sapiens first walked on the planet.

For decades, Prof. Luca Cavalli-Sforza has been obsessed by this history. His mission: to convince skeptical social scientists that by mapping the diversity of DNA in present-day humans he

can create a genetic atlas of humanity. This, he says, will not only "illuminate our understanding of human history and identity," but also will depict patterns of adaptation to different environments and patterns of susceptibility to disease. His team at Stanford University analyzes historical haggage - genetics and languages - that people carry with them and deduces their relationships. As populations separate, genes and words evolve along different courses: the longer the separation, the

By examining the differences be-tween groups of modern people, it is possible to get an idea of the routes by which the Earth was colonized by early humans, and the ways in which those primitive colonists were conquered or replaced by invaders. But profound problems face those who want to lay bare our origins.

Cultural extinction is one. Just as the techniques for surveying the diversity of DNA are becoming available, the potential subject matter is disappearing. The only form of survival for some peoples, such as the 10,000 remaining Yanomani of the Amazon rain forest, may be as a cell line grown in a laboratory.

Sex poses more practical difficulties. Our blueprint is a mixture of the bundles of genetic material -chromosomes inherited from each parent. Each chromosome is a mosaic of maternal and paternal genes, scrambling the genetic history. Fortunately, Y-chromosomes are a different matter. They are

inherited only by men and are not (quite) so "mixed up" by sex.

The problem is that the Y-chromosome is small, boring and featureless. It looks pretty much the same whether it comes from an Australian aborigine or an Englishman. There were few known significant differences between Y-chromosomes until Cavalli-Sforza's colleagues, Drs. Peter Underhill and Peter Oefner, used the new technique, which exploits the way DNA consists of two complementary strands that bind tightly into a double helix.

First the DNA from two Y-chromosomes is mixed, the strands separated by heating, and then recombined by cooling. The strands mesh together perfectly at every point except where there is a difference, even one as slight as a single genetic "letter."

This mismatch can be spotted with a technique called chromatography. In this way, the team found 10 rare mntations, the first of which they describe in this month's Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences.

Studies of 173 DNA samples showed that the DNA change was present in Navajo, Mayan and Colombian Indians, and among North American Eskimos, but not among people from Asia, Africa, Europe or Oceania. The rare mutation occurred some

30,000 years ago. Tracking its incidence can "shed significant light on the colonization of the New World," Underhill said. "Our work highlights the unique utility of the Y-chromosome - there are clear echoes of the past preserved in

Mutations in the Y-chromosome are so rare that the genetic change probably happened in one male, was passed on to his sons, then to later generations. "In only one chromosome in all the

world there was this harmless change, and all Native Americans may be able to trace their heritage back to that one mutational event," he said.

A population geneticist at the University of California, Dr. Francisco Ayala, commented: "The most widely held belief is that the Americas were first colonized by buinans 30,000 to 35,000 years ago, probably by Asians who traveled across a land bridge spanning what is now the Bering Strait. The new findings add another piece to the puzzle of the peopling of the New World."

A previous hypothesis of three colonizations is based primarily on data from the archeological record and linguistic studies, which identified three different language patterns: Amerind, represented by South American Indians; Na-Dene, represented hy groups such as the Navajos; and Aleutian (Eskimo).

Underhill said samples from all three groups have the genetic mutation. This suggests that the mutation may have occurred before the language differentiation, either among people in Asia before the migration to the New World, or in the Americas very soon after migration started. More tests must be done among peoples in northeast Asia such as eastern Siberia - to find the origin of the DNA change.

The sensitivity of genetic analysis was illustrated in one Mayan man. Native in appearance, he was shown to carry a Ychromosome whose mutations traced to Africa. Underfull said the slave trade was most likely responsible for the genetic signature.

"At some point, a slave was brought to the New World who mated with a Mayan woman and produced a son,' Underhill concluded.

This son probably married and reproduced with a Mayan woman. Over time, all the other genes diluted out, and the African signature was lost as a result of genetic scrambling. However, the African Y-chromosome survived intact as long as each generation had a

· Such work makes some scientists uneasy. They claim that it is based on an outmoded notion of race, an example

of "21st-century technology applied to 19th-century biology." Others are worried that these markers could be used as a tool of discrimination.

Most people are indeed inclined to down-play regional diversity because experience has shown that peaceful coexistence between peoples thrives if similarities are emphasized. Politically, this emphasis may be proper, but the Stanford team believes it should not prevent biologists from using the nature and extent of modern human diversity as a means of investigating human evolutionary history. Such work may even help to combat racism by proving that important traits vary less between groups than within them.

And, as ever, it is important not to place undue emphasis on genes. Other work has shown a correlation between people who vote socialist in France and the frequency of the O and Rhesusnegative blood groups. The vote is strongest in those reginns where Paleolithic genes are most prevalent, in the southwest, while the a rightist tendency is stronger in the Neolithic - "modern" heartlands, the north and east.

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Past due judicial reform

pared in the Knesset Law Committee addresses one of the most troubling aspects of life in Israel: the ease with which the police can detain suspects, and the difficulty in obtaining release on hail. If it becomes law it will he a most encouraging development in Israeli law, and a harhinger of a vast improve-

ment in the country's quality of life.

The reason for Israeli backwardness in this area is as clear as it is reasonable. The country has been in a state of war of one kind or another since its founding. Having inherited from the British laws designed to combat seditious activity, it wisely kept many of them as a means to combat Arab insurgency. In practice, however, laws considered unacceptable in Britain and the US have been applied to Israeli citizens.

Only recently did the Knesset pass, in lieu of a constitution, some basic laws which afford civil protections that are considered elementary in other enlightened countries. One of these, the Basic Law: Human Dignity and Freedom, provides the inspiration for the current reform hill. Since nothing insults the concept of liberty more than arbitrary, unjustified detention, the most pertinent application of this hasic law is legislation that would set limits to arrest. The bill carefully defines the manner in which individuals can lose their liberty and the conditions under which suspects can be incarcerated.

The police will undoubtedly complain that the teforms will make their work more difficult. They will not be able to detain anyone for interrogation for more than 24 hours without a court order. Nor will a charge, no matter how grave, provide sufficient reason for continued remand unless the court determines that 'te suspect poses a danger to others, or that he or she may suborn witnesses.

As Law Committee chairman MK Dedi Zucker (Meretz) has pointed out, no one is guiltier than judges in facilitating unnecessary detention. The case of 76-year-old Miriam Weissman, denied bail and kept in jail for a year the case of stranging her daughter, is lipical of the scandalous arbitrariness of current court practices. The courts will also have to ensure that once the reforms become law, every suspect will be afforded the services of a public defender.

Just as important is the proposed codifying of physical conditions in police lockups, most of which are medieval. Since 40 percent of all

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THE judicial reform bill now being pre- arrests end with no charges pressed, thousands of innocent detainees must suffer unspeakable indignities for no reason at all.

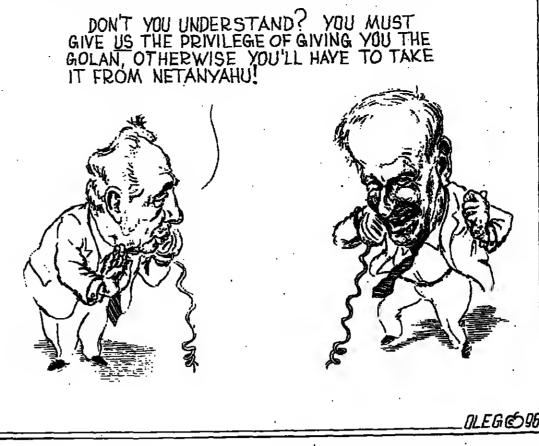
It must be hoped that the reforms will also include the abolition of the government's right to administratively detain Israeli citizens. Administrative detention has been one of the more useful emergency regulations from the days of the British Mandate. It has proved an efficient instrument in taking suspected terrorists and participants in intifada-type violence out of action. But it is a blatantly illegal device when used by the government against its own citizens.

To detain Israeli citizens with no criminal record, as has been done in the cases of Shmuel Cytryn of Kiryat Arba and Arye Friedman of Jerusalem, and to keep them in prison for months without charges or even an intimation of what they may be guilty of, is a violation of their human rights and fundamental freedoms. That the High Court of Justice has confirmed the government's right to detain Cytryn only points to the danger in applying the emergency regulations to Israeli citizens. In effect, it allows the government to arrest anyone it disapproves of for up to a year.

Not surprisingly, American Jews have pro-tested to Israeli officials in the US against these detentions. In the US, such practices are deemed typical of dictatorships, not democracies. In suggesting how to respond to such complaints, the Foreign Ministry cites American court decisions sanctioning legal action against speech where "advocacy is directed to inciting or producing imminent lawless action." This is, of course, true - no country allows totally unhridled freedom of speech but it is not the point. In the US the government has to prove that dangerous incitement has occurred. Under the administrative detention regulations the government of Israel is not obligated to prove anything.

Zucker and his colleagues on the Law Committee should be supported and congratulated for their efforts to liberalize Israeli laws. But

ible. The country's security problems must be addressed, and care must be taken not to swing the justice pendulum too far, so that it would favor criminals and abuse victims of crime. But to deprive citizens whose conduct and utterances are obnoxious of their right to an open trial is to establish precisely the kind of legal double standard the new reforms aim to abolish.



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Cornered and dangerous

INCE the defection of Hus-sein Kamil, Saddam Hus-Sein's son-in-law and mastermind of Iraq's covert weapons programs, Baghdad has released a flood of information suggesting a stunning conclusion: Iraq may still be a serious threat. After five years of sanctions and four years of the most intrusive international weapons monitoring regime ever devised, not to mention the war itself, it seems that Saddam is holding onto his most deadly unconventional agents and the mis-

siles to deliver them. But Washington yawns and ignores the obvious dangers. Saddam's obstreperousness is known and sanctions will remain, It has always been assumed that Saddam's residual unconventional capabilities are for jump-starting his banned programs after sanctions are lifted.

It is time to revisit the debate during the Gulf War, the warnings that the war could not eliminate lrag's weapons of mass destruction without without eliminating Saddam. In such cases, where devasta-

the burden of proof lies not with the pessimists who are afraid that Saddam possesses weapons of mass destruction and other unconventional agents and will use them, but with the optimists, who believe that even if Saddam possesses such weapons, be would not dare use

The optimists, then, are obliged to show clearly, without a doubt, that Saddam will not use his deadly agents. If they cannot, action is imperative - issuing warnings, taking precautions and ousting Saddam, as soon as possible.

Saddam seems to be holding onto his entire stock of hiological agents and his most lethal chemical agent, VX. which is deadlier than Sarin. Iraq has acknowledged having produced the agents or obtained the precursors, hut claims to have destroyed them. If that has, happened, it would violate UN Resolution 687, which specifically assigns that task to the UN Special Commission (UNSCOM).

As UNSCOM Chief Rolf Ekeus rold the Security Council, "gaps" remain in Baghdad's accounting of its VX, while the situation regarding biological agents is even more disturbing. Baghdad has turned over nothing. It acknowledges having produced and weaponized large quantities of anthrax and botulinum. The botulinum, difficult to store, perhaps perished; hut where is the anthrax? Baghdad claims to have de-

stroyed the anthrax after the Gulf war. But Iraq has not produced

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one credible document to support this claim. Most recently, Baghdad gave UNSCOM a lieutenant's journal, recording the destruction of RU-400 bombs. But, as Ekeus remarked, it is not clear hiological agents were involved and the document does not address the key question of warheads. It is important to recall that

Baghdad acknowledges having had hiological warheads, placed on missiles, dispatched to airfields, ready to fire at Israel and Saudi Arabia during the Gulf war. Moreover, a lieutenant's diary is not the expected documentation. There should be written orders to destroy agents and reports on the implementation of those orders. Ekeus said UNSCOM's inability to account for Iraq's VX and hiological agents "creates obvious concern when you marry that together [with the fact] that we no longer have a full accounting of Iraq's

.If the optimists: cannot prove that Saddam won't use his weapons of mass destruction. he must be ousted as soon as possible

missiles.'

There are even questions about Iraq's nuclear capabilities, for which the International Atomic Energy Agency is responsible. As Paul Leventhal, president of the Nuclear Control Institute, explained in the International Herold Tribune, Iraqi records show that Baehdad worked on and tested nuclear weapons components, but none have been found, let alone destroyed. The latest Iraqi document suggests that Baghdad was working on its nuclear programs as late as mid-1991, while-Baghdad recently revealed the existence - after the Gulf War - of a covert procurement network for missile parts. If Iraq managed to smuggle missile parts, it could have obtained any weapons building component.

As Leventhal concluded, "Given the Iraqis' extensive contacts with their original Russian and French benefactors and the growing evidence of an emerging hlack market in nuclear materials, the Iraqi nuclear threat could spring to life at any time."

ALL THESE factors to the con-

trary, Iraq claims to have complied with Resolution 687, and demands that sanctions be lifted. How does Saddam intend to square that cir-

Since January 1994, Baghdad has begun to warn that although it is patient, sanctions must eventually be lifted. Iraq's threats have been strategically timed, and addressed to Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and the US. Some of these threats seemed to suggest the intent to use unconventional agents.

Indeed, three senior Iraqi defectors have warned of just that. A high-ranking political adviser told The Monchester Guardinn, and former chief of Iraqi military intelligence Wafiq Samarrai told me, that Saddam will use his missiles and unconventional warheads when he feels he is going down. Furthermore, Hussein Kamil recently warned about terrorism and unconventional agents.

Yet the Clinton administration tefuses to seriously consider this problem. It dismisses the notion with the assertion that "We would nuke them." But suppose Saddam

does not care? ca can reply with a nuclear strike, but the disaster will already have happened." Or perhaps Saddam has terrorism in mind, using agents of mass destruction for which it will be difficult to find definitive proof of Iraqi responsibility.

Others are beginning to understand. A recent Galf Cooperation Council summit expressed "deep regret over the fact that the Iraqi government has continued to produce bacteriological weapons that are capable of spreading epidemics which could inflict grave harm on Iraq itself and the entire region. not to mention its production of chemical and radioactive weap-

The GCC wants those weapons destroyed. But it does not yet seem to understand that Saddam may intend to hold onto what he has because he wants to keep his options open. Some senior Israeli officials now recognize the prob-Iem with Iraq's continued access to weapons of mass destruction. They explain that while Iran remains the long-term strategic threat, Iraq is the immediate threat

Saddam is cornered - and cornered, dangerous. These are precisely the circumstances in which ordinary measures of deterrence may fail. We had hetter pay

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memory

DAN LEON

S the days, weeks and months pass since that unforgettable November 4, the date of Yitzhak Rabin's assassination, it becomes very important to answer this question: How best to perpetuate the name of the leader who crossed the great historical watershed, recognizing the PLO as the legitimate tepresentative of the Palestinian people and launching negotiations with Yasser Arafat so as to put an end to the long conflict between the two peo-

Rahin was not perfect, and neither his achievements nor his personality need be idealized. People like this writer, who criticized Rabin on occasion, should be honest enough to recognize his courageous role as peacemaker, and the special place he has earned in our history.

However, what is undoubtedly a spontaneous desire hy individuals and institutions to commemorate Rabin is already leading to situations which should urge us to pause and take stock, and consider where we ought to go from here.

Is a Rabin cigarette lighter a fitting way to remember our slain prime minister?

A journalist wrote recently that someone "coming out of a branch of his bank, named after Rabin, will cross Rabin Boulevard, stroll through the Rabin Gardens, then visit the Rabin Health Clinic, lo-. cated near the Rahin School. And soon, one will be asking the taxi driver to stop at Rabin Street, cor-ner Rahin' (Yoel Marcus in Ho'aretz, November 29).

As for the recent ceremony inaugurating the Yitzhak Rabin Trauma Center at Ichilov hospital, another writer doubted the good taste of holding, of all things, a moval contrail party (with King Hussein) inside the Trauma Cen-ter, and of signing there a dedication scroll with the pen that was used for signing the Israel-Jordan peace treaty.

A JNF park and a border terminal are slated to hear Rahin's name, and institutions already named for other public figures are even heing renamed, causing needless confusion and embarrass-

Elsewhere, Rahin's memory is being increasingly commercialized through memorial books, albums, songs, cassettes, and even cigarette lighters, as well as the usual stamps and coins. And this may be only a partial list.

THERE IS no precedent to be followed here, for no Israeli prime minister has ever been murdered before. Venerable institutions like Yad Weizmann and Yad Ben-Zvi have certainly made their mark in educating the public.

And one need not accept the Tel Aviv Municipality regulation that allows a commemoration project to be launched only two years after the death of the individual concerned.

It is welcome news that a law is now being formulated to determine how best to perpetuate Rahin's name.

What we need is a public institution whose task would be to foster Rabin's achievements and legacy.

Leah Rabin, who has come under considerable criticism in connection with her request for a goverament allocation to enable her to respond to the mass outpowing of sympathy following her hushand's assassination, would be able to play a dignified and special role within such a framework.

A non-profit body of this kind, functioning both at home and abroad, could be attached to one of our universities, and would be guided by a representative board of governers. It would surely receive all the financial support it needs from private and public sources, and the scope of its educational work would be unlimited.

In the long run, future generations will surely judge Rabin not by the quantity of projects existing in his name but by their quality, by the overall succeess in using all possible means to project his historical importance.

Now is the time to avent the danger that, all good intentions notwithstanding, an inflation of random memorial projects could cause Rabin's name to be cheapened rather than suitably honored.

The writer is co-managing editor of The Palestine-Israel Journal.

exchange. If bank staff are to have a

release of its agent and citizen.

ence of the American Administration, a wealth of documentation is on file that testifies to the unequivocal support that the American Jewish community as a whole now lends to the request to free Jonathan Pollard at once and send him to Israel. Toronto. ESTHER POLLARD

VANDALISM

Sir, - This morning, as I got into property) and vandalize it?

Does it prove anything to remove stickers advocating that the Golan remains a part of Israel permanently? Am I not entitled to state which political elements I identify with?

iudge: TURN DOWN YOUR STEREO!

neighbors for tormenting them with his loud stereo at all hours. Michael and Concetta Stiglianese of New York City had sued

after enduring three years of Vallone's music.

awakened 23 times by his car stereo. There were 85 episodes where the music made their house shake. They called the police 51 times with noise complaints. When they complained,

"Joseph Vallone's conduct was egregious, malicious, wanton and reekless," Judge Lucinda Suarez

stolen car eluded police in a chase of up to 110 kph, hut lost his cool when he spotted his grandmother driving toward him.

He ducked down so she wouldn't see him, hit the gas and lost control. He struck one car, then crossed the center line and struck another car - his grandmother's.

didn't want Grandma to see him," Trooper Steve Sulligan of Greenville, South Carolina, said.

from the international banking system from Thursday evening until Monday morning. As a one-time import/export merchant, I can see that a regular three-day weekend will cause delays and hold-ups with the processing and negotiating of docu-ments, hills of lading and bills of

Sir. - I am beginning to Scheve that we in Israel are likely to be

living in an economic "paradise of

fools." Two items in The Januariem

Post of January 16 lead me to this

forcing the banks to close on Fridays

is going to cause many problems

and completely ignores the advice of

organizations which are more in

touch with economic reality than the

Histadrut. While I have every sym-

pathy for the needs of bank staff to

work a five-day week, closing on

Friday means that importers, export-

ers, currency traders, etc., are cut off

The decision of the Histadrul

conclusion.

live next to genuine democracies

fat's non-compliance with almost every signed commitment and the hysterical reaction of hundreds of

FRIENDLY COEXISTENCE

Sir, - In reply to Adam Keller (Letters, January 14), I would like to point out that the elections are for a Representative Council of the Palestinian Authority and not "for representatives of a sovereign parliament," as claimed by Mr. Keller. Also his bald assertion that a Palestinian state is an "unavoidable reality" is merely an expression of opinion and not of fact.

I am sure that we would all like to

UNIFICATION OF THE RIGHT

Netanya.

Sir. - In the dangerous political situation in which the State of Israel finds itself today, the people of Israel will be going to fateful elections which will he as unpredictable as any since the creation of the state.

There is a teasonable possibility that, as a result of these elections, there will be no right-wing representation in the coming Knesset. Without denigrating the parties of the National Camp, to wit, Likud, Tsomet and the NRP, they are centrist parties and they cannot solve the problems of the Jewish people hy themselves, even if they form the next government.

For many reasons, the State of Israel needs suitable representation in the Knesset of the 'Vision of the

Generations," of "The Whole Land or Israel." etc. This list cannot include all such movements. Therefore, there must be a large rightist block in the coming Knesset. Even one vote from the voters of the right should not be lost and all right-wing groups must run as one list.

The list must he formed by advance agreement and after the elections, those elected should return to their own parties.

If organized properly, the voters of the right can elect 10-15 members of Knesset. To achieve the above goals we have set up the Committee for the

E. YOGEV

Unification of the Right. Ramot Hashavim.

JONATHAN POLLARD

Sir, - In a January 12 interview in Mo'nriv, Ambassador Itamar Rabinovitch maintains that the failure of the Israeli government to secure the release of Jonathan Pollard is the fault of the American Jewish community. Mr. Rabinovitch states that in raising the subject with President Clinton, Prime Minister Peres and the late prime minister Rahin have done all that they could, and the fault lies with the American Jewish Community, for not speaking out in

"loud and unified voice." Aside from the fact that Mr. Rahinovitch's assertion is utterly untrue, perhaps it is time to remind the government of Israel, whom Mr. Rahinovitch represents, that Jonathan Pollard was a bona-fide agent of the government of Israel and not of the American Jewish community. Moreover, Jonathan Pollard is an Israeli citizen. It is the full and unequivocal responsibility of the Israeli government to seek and secure the

In spite of the continued indiffer-

my car, I noticed that for the second time in as many months, someone had seen fit to remove humper stickers from my car and scatter their remains carelessly on the pavement. l am not referring to my sticker form Shagrir Motor Club or the sticker advertising the garage that services my car. Those are still, not surptisingly, intact. It seems that in our Jewish state, there is a problem airing one's political views in public. The stickers that were removed must have terribly offended some of my fellow Istaelis. Otherwise why would someone enter my private property (my car was parked under my building in the spot reserved for me and that is included in my monthly rent, let's not even mention that the car itself is not quite public

ADINA APPEL

POSTSCRIPTS

today because he nosed around in situation." Craig Randall, 23, a garbage truck driver from East Bridgewater, Massachusetts, saw an old Wendy's testaurant contest cup on a heap of garbage in the back

\$200,000 toward a new home." TEXANS WHO have the necessary permit can carry a concealed

Bean of Houston and Bob Norman of Fort Worth said they would han concealed guns at their events even with the new law, because walking around with a hidden weapon at a gun show is too dangerous.

of his truck. Remembering that he'd won a free chicken sandwich A HEAVY-METAL fan rethe previous week, he pulled off ceived a \$30,000 message from a the contest sticker and read, "Congratulations. You have won

weapon - except at gun shows. Gun show promoters Todd

Bean said allowing concealed weapons where thousands of guns are on display and for sale would create "a dangerous

Promoters fear a pistol-packing customer could decide to show off a loaded weapon to other gun enthusiasts, with possible dire re-

Joseph Vallone, 25, was ordered to pay that amount to his

The Stiglianeses said they were

Vallone would taunt them hy turning up the volume.

Vallone is still living - quietly, now - next to the Stiglianeses.

A 15-YEAR-OLD boy driving a

"He saw Grandma, and he

After the accident, the youth got out of the car and ran to his grandmother's house, where police finally caught up with him.

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Athens

Greece's Point of Origin

By Ann Owens Gilliland

Copley News Service

THENS, Greece-The sun was fighting the curtain of smog hangiog over Athens. Below, a beehive of traffic smoked and slugged it out in metallic battle, but atop the Acropolis-never mind the dirty clouds and the horde of people—were sights to behold. The Partheoon, with its massive columns, loomed up behind us. It's hard to imagine that this architectural wonder has survived more than 2.400 years despite wars and a 17th century fire that destroyed the roof, much of the interior and more than a dozen columns.

Also on the Acropolis is the Temple of Athena Nike, still impressive though the statue Athena is headless. In addition, there's the Temple of Brechthelon, embellished with voluptuous stone maidens, and on the day of my visit, crowded by dozens of Greek youngsters

on school break.

Walk to the south edge and look out. The city sprawis under the south edge and look out. The city sprawis under the second of the second o mostly red-tile roofs. On a clear day, they say, it's possible to see all , the way to the seaside port of Pireaus, the ferry port to the Gree islands. Directly below are two ancient Greek theaters—the odeums of Herodes Auicus and Pericles.

On the opposite side is a smaller hill where St. Paul delivered a sermon that caused Dionysius to convert and late became the first bishop of Athens.

In the valley below are the scant remains of the agora, or marketplace, the city center of ancient Greece. Nearby is the well-preserved Temple of Hephaistus. Built in 474 B.C. and dedicated to the Greek god of fire, the temple looks a lot like the Parthenon. Virtually alone in the meadow and juxtaposed with the city behind it, the temple makes a dramatic photo. It's hard oot to gape.

Of course, the Acropolis is the highlight of any tour of Athens, but don't even consider trying to drive through Athens' mean streets and tangle of traffic to see its sites. More than three million



The Parthenon, located atop the Acropolis, offers a dramatic view of Athens.

Greeks-almost a third of the total Greek population-live in Athens. They are for the most part friendly, loud and energetic talkers. Few speak English, however, and traffic is nightmarish.

City tours typically include a drive by the modern Olympic stadium, the Temple of Olympian Zeus, the Byzantine Museum, with a stop at the House of Parliament, formerly the Royal Palace, and the Tomb to the Unknown Soldier, still guarded by the colorful evzones. This honor guard is comprised of tallish young Greek clones who don't seem to be embarrassed about wearing white tights, short white skirts and wooden shoes with pom-poms on the

toe. It's a pure photo opportunity. From the tranquil palace grounds, the bus winds through the hub-

bub of Constitution Square, and enters Plaka, an upscale area of shops and homes, part of which recently was turned into a pedestrian-only area. Last stop is the marbled plaza of the Orthodox Cathedral and the 12th century chapel beside it.

Ancient Civilization Lies Under Volcanic Ash



By Jack Biesterfeld

Copley News Service

The mountains rumbled and the fields shook. Buildings swayed and birds shricked. Cattle bolted and people screamed.

Then the volcano blasted away one of the world's Some say it was the fabled Atlantis. Others think it

was a great Minoan colony. But whatever it was, it ceased to exist in 1500 B.C. when a mighty explosion-some say the biggest explosion in recorded history-blew the island into oblivion.

What remains today is called Santorini, one of the most popular Greek islands in the Aegean Sea. Its quaint whitewashed towns, ancient ruins and spectacular volcanic caldera attract tourists from around the world.

While shoppers and browsers head for the cliff-top town of Thira and sunbathers strike out for the block sand beaches at Kamari, history buffs head for Akrotiri, the Pompeii of Greece.

For thousands of years, an entire city has lain under a thick layer of volcanic ash, protected from the elements. Then, almost 30 years ago, archaeologists discovered what was the tip of the iceberg. Slowly, year after year, they have uncovered more and more of this ghost town. There's much more left to be discovered, and excavations are expected to go on for many decades before the entire town is uncov-

Paved streets snake through a maze of multi-story buildings. Houses, stores and mills look out oo public

quares. Beautiful frescoes decorate temples hidden inside many of the buildings.

Much of the site has been opened to the public, so they can see how people lived, worked and played in the year 1500 B.C.

Akrotiri was a wealthy port city on the southern side of Santormi, then called Thira. (The island has officially reverted back to the name of Thira, but everyone still calls it Santorini.)

There was a thriving trade with the great Minoan cities on Crete 70 miles to the north, and to other islands in the vicinity. Many experts think Santorini was merely a colony of the Minoan empire, while others think it was an independent, powerful state—some say the fabled Atlantis of which Plato wrote in great detail.

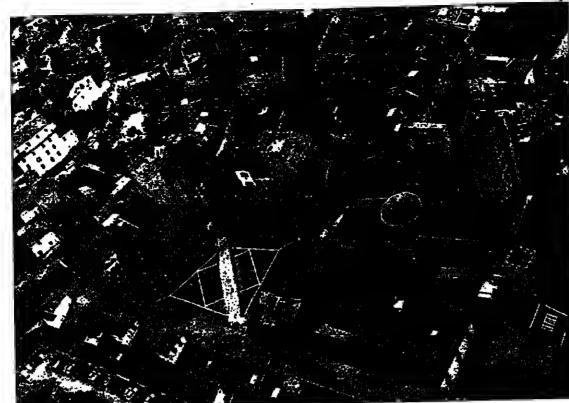
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> Archaeologists have found many hints that this island was the fabled lost contineot. It was ruled by priest-kings, and had an advanced culture. Farming methods, crops, pottery styles and artistic endeavors are all similar to the Atlantis described by Plato. And they were both destroyed by a humongous natural disaster.

The people of Akrotiri must have known something was amiss because of the rumblings and minor earthquakes that became frequent and increasingly

The rulers must have ordered the city evacuated. When archaeologists uncovered the city, they found

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Amid the



Tumbling Terrains of Italy's Countryside

n the shadows of those cities known as the giants of Italian history and culture, lies the occasional gem which the untmored traveler often mistakes

for mere glass. Arezzo is an ancient Etrucscan hilltop town which reigns over the tumbling terrain of eastern Tuscany. en route between Florence and Rome. Located about 55 miles from Florence and 150 miles from Rome.

Arezzo poses an easy train or car trip from either city. Don't let the towns lack of fame on the Italian tour

circuit fool you. Where else but in Arezzo can you By Ellen B. Klugman browse through one of Italy's largest and best known monthly Antiques Fairs in the morning and relive the frenzied pageantry and abandon of a 14th century joust in the afternoon?

> Time your visit to include the last Sunday in August or the first Sunday in September, when Aretine cousins, brothers and neighbors square off by town quarter to compete in the centuries-old Joust of

Begun in the 1400s as a tribute to the Crusades, the joust's original rules allowed all armed knights who appeared in Arezzo's Piazza Grande (the main and literally, "large square") to join in.

Modernly, the town elders have divided Arezzo into four quarters ("citadini") approximating the political and tax subdivision of old. Marked by their own. colors and coats, the citizens of Santo Spirito, Porta Sant'Andrea, Porta Crucifera, and Porta Del Foro. select two knights each to compete in the Joust. Except for this minor change, Arezzo's citizenry has rigorously preserved the trappings of the original

Joust of the Saracen. In fact, the 20th century is nowhere in sight on the afternoon of this first clear breezy Sunday in September.

The sharp rap of drums signals the coming of Arezzo's musicians who proudly lead each quarter's knights and their foot soldiers, bowmen and lovely ladies-in-waiting through the winding cobblestone streets of the old city into tournament site at the Piazza Grande, where trumpeters underscore the tension and excitement of the Joust with the beat of war-

An ancient, sloping square bounded by 13th and 14th century buildings, the Piazza Grande offers the perfect setting for this event. A portion of the square is crowned by a clock tower and turrets, while a porticoed 12th century church and a 16th century palace designed by the famed Arctine architect Vasari com-

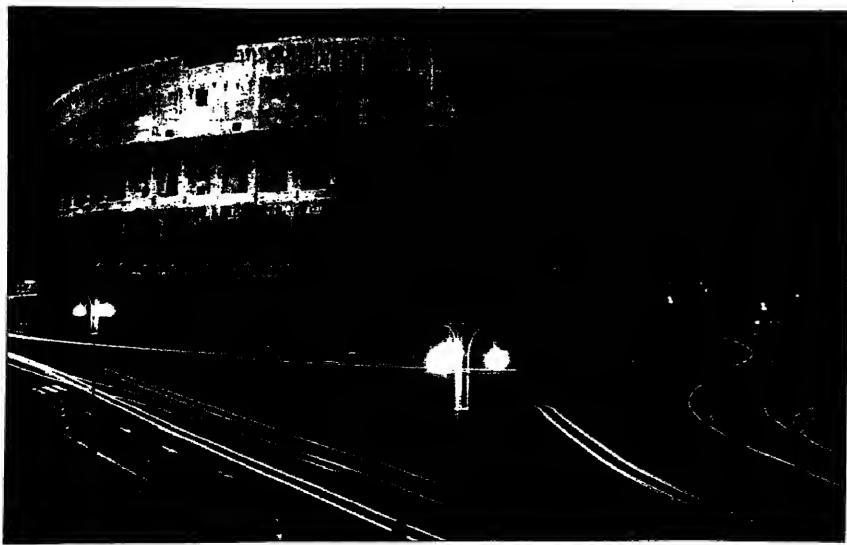
plete the square's dimensions. Most of the buildings are blanketed by huge, richly

colored flags proclaiming the occupants' allegiances in the tournament to come.

The Joust itself, however, is merely one aspect of this heady occasion. The performance of Arezzo's "gruppo sbandieratori" rivals that of her knights in opularity and skill. The first group to revive the ancient art of flag hurling of flags between two individuals which escalates into a series of more complex maneuvers performed in pairs and then among subgroups of four.

The highly spirited spectacle is fraught with a series of acrobatic tumbles and feints which show off the precision, speed and daring of each of the players. and mirrors the drama of the Joust to come. Finally,

SNAPSHOTS AFTER SUNSET



By Carl and Ann Purcell

Copiey News Service

oo many photographers put away their cameras after dark and, in so doing, miss some incredible picture opportunities. Cities glow with light from a thousand sources, and we love recording illuminated buildings, monuments and moving traffic with our carnetas.

The shooting techniques involved are not complicated. Basically, you can use any camera with a built-in meter that can control the exposure, and that means most cameras on the market today. These range from pointand-shoot to the more sophisticated singlelens reflex cameras. You'll need a good tripod, and it is desirable to have a cable release to attach to the camera if a connection is available.

The first question most people ask is what type of film they should use. Ironically, the answer is daylight type, whether it is slide or color-negative film. Daylight film records the mixed light from an illuminated city with a vibrant warmth. Tungsten-type film usually makes city night scenes cold and unappealing. Accept the fact that some buildings illuminated by tungsten light will have an orange or golden color. This is far better than the buildings appearing bluish.

Set your tripod and camera up in a safe location in a fairly bright part of the city. This might be the Ginza in Tokyo, Piccadilly Circus in London or Times Square in New York City. Compose the scene carefully and bracket your exposures with one stop over normal and one stop under. This can be

accomplished with an exposure control or by changing the ISO setting for each picture if the exposure control feature is not available on your camera.

Don't worry about moving traffic. Headlights and taillights will be recorded as streaks of light during the duration of your exposure, a visually pleasing effect. Push the shutter button (or your cable release) and the meter in your camera will calculate the exposure, opening the shutter and closing it at approximately the right times. You'll be surprised at how well your night pictures turn out. Just remember to keep your camera on a solid tripod.

Want to get fancy with flash? Many cameras allow you to use your camera's flash on a flash on a foreground subject, such as a person, and record the city lights in the background. Such lighting is used by the pros when they take pictures of models in city settings. Don't forget to keep the camera on a tripod even when using flash, or the city lights in the background will be messy streaks. Refer to your camera manual for instructions on how to take this kind of flash picture at night with your specific camera.

What subjects should you choose for night pictures? Try shooting neon and electric tunsten signs, such as those you will find in Times Square or in Las Vegas. Look for ... monuments and huildings illuminated by quartz lights, such as the U.S. Capitol . Building or the Lincoln Memorial in Wahington, D.C. The results will be well worth the effort.

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man Coliseum offers a spectacular photo opportunity at night.





the groups converge in a frenzied crescendo performance in which all twelve flag bearers tumble and toss in a feverish blur of color resembling bursts of human fireworks.

Afterwards, a challenge is read to "Buratto, King of the Indies," and amidst the blare of trumpets and a roar of approval from onlookers, the Joust begins. With lances posed in intense concentration, horsemen from each quarter. charge against a huge effigy of the bearded, menacing looking "Saracen." The crowd falls hush, and all eyes focus upon the shield carried in the Saracen's outstretched left hand.

Striking the center of the Saracen's shield confers the highest possible score. The sport is made all the more dramatic by the fact that a lead and leather cat o'nine tails is attached to the outstretched fist of the Saracen's right hand, rotating on an axis when the Saracen hit. Points are deducted from the unlucky quarter whose knight has been scathed or unseated by the Saracen's sting.

Amidst cheers and boos from the audience, the victorious knights joyonsly accept their prize from the festival's King and his Queen. Swept into the air by their comrades, the celebrants bob en masse through the streets of Arezzo to hegin a night long string of celebrations.

The Piazza Grande only hosts the Joust of the Saracen two weekends per year. Visit it on the first weekend of any other month, however, (the first Sunday and its preceding Saturday) and you're bound to discover the chaos and bustle of a different kind of sport, shopping at the Arezzo Antiques Fair.

There, stalls of antique furniture, elegant old porcelain dolls, walking sticks, 19th century prints, and Italian inlaid music boxes sit next to turn-of-the-century



hand-embroidered tablecloth, and worthless bric-abrac brought by small antiques dealers and shop owners from cities throughout Italy. On the weekends of the Joust, the Antiques Fair is beld in a shaded park above the old city.

Where else but in Arezzo can you browse through one of Italy's largest and best known monthly Antiques Faire in the zied pageantry and abandon of a 14th century joust in the afternoon?

A discerning eye can sometimes uncover real finds buried among the usual flea market wares. In one stall, for example, amidst a clutter of gramophones, cheap vases, and necklaces lay what looked like a large, turn of the century Lalique dove, whose origin was confirmed by the signature on the heavy statuette's underside. The price was a real steal: \$300.

Whether or not you find a bargain, however, is almost beside the point. Arezzo's truly priceless aspects are available to everyone.

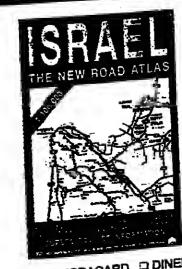
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CAR TREKKING IN GREECE

By Ann Owens Gilliland

Copley News Service

ORTHERN PELOPONNESE, Greece According to the rental car map, the national highway was over there, but we were over here. How to get from here to there was a puzzle. The only roads leading in that direction were dead ends.

Roads were ill-marked, jammed with traffic-particularly around Athens and Piraeus—and often meandered in crazy-quilt patterns. The rental car map was to no help. The Greeks were friendly, all right, but few spoke enough English to give directions.

So why do it? Call it crazy, but there's the freedom to go where you want, when yoo want-sleep late, shop and go sightseeing at leisure. Besides it's a chance to see the real country, not just the one seen from from a tour bus window.

Take the Northern Peloponnese. There's ancient . Corinth, the seaside towns along the north shore, the ruins at Olympia, the mountain villages between - Olympia and Nauplia on the bay of the Argolic Sea.

CORINTH

The traffic in Athens was a horror. But once out of the city it cleared and the 55 miles to Corinth went

A bridge spans the deep cut in the isthmus at Corinth. People tried digging through the peninsula as early as 67 B.C., but it wasn't until the late 1800s that the canal was completed.

Modern Corinth-or Korinthos, as it's spelled in Greek-is not much to look at. It's ancient Corinth and the imposing fortress atop Acrocorinth that people want to see.

Destroyed by earthquakes and invaders, Corinth was revived by Julius Caesar in 44 B.C. The Apostle Paul preached there during 51-52 and was inspired to write letters to the Corinthians.

Ancient Corioth lies around the bend, past the corner with souvenir stands and outdoor tavernas. Among the ruins is a museum with displays of Mycenaean and Corinthian pottery, fine Roman mosaics, terracotta sphinxes and sculptures. Standing north of the entrance is the Temple of Apollo, built in 6 B.C.

The road beyond the ancient site winds past orange and olive groves, and climbs the 1,863-foot peak to Acrocorinth, the largest and oldest forcess in the Peloponnese. The drive and climb up is worth it for

The quickest way to get to Olympia from Corinth is to take the main highway that follows the coast, but a road parallel to the national highway skirts pebbled beaches and scenic villages, where an occasio erman dries an octopus in the sun.

It was easy enough to get off the big highway at various exits to drive along the coastal road, but 1. almost impossible to get back on. Prepare to travel · miles before finding a road leading back.

Before Patras, Greece's third-largest city, is Rio, home of the Castle of the Morea. There's also a car ferry here that connects with the Greek mainland across the way.

With too much traffic and industrial scenery, Patras - is not much to look at, though it has some ancient history. There's the shell of a castle and, at its base, the old town with some neoclassical houses. Rising above "... the lower city is the cathedral of St. Andrew.

OLYMPIA

The road to Olympia veers away from the coast and rises into the pleasant mountain village of

Olympic fame. Supposedly the first Olympics were held here in 776 B.C. in honor of Zeus and continued every four years until 393 A.D.

Victors of the Games won a crown made from olive branches and perhaps some fame. The modern

Destroyed by earthquakes and invaders, Corinth was revived by Julius Caesar in 44 B.C. The Apostle Paul preached there during 51-52 and was inspired to write letters to the Corinthians.

Olympics were reborn in 1896. Today on Olympic years, a torchbearer starts from Olympia carrying the torch to the city where the Games will be beld.

Temple of Zens. Near the entrance are the stone pillars of Palaestra, where the ancient athletes trained. A few of the rooms around the square field, which were used for bathing and socializing, still contain 2,000year-old bathmbs. Protected with a fin roof is a receptacle where the first Olympic flame

> Across the road from the archaeological site is an Olympic museum. Treasures from the ruins include the

stone head of Hera and the marble statue of Hermes. The museum also houses groupings of life-size sculptures. In the town itself-omongst sidewalk cafes and souvenir shopsis the Museum of the Olympic Games.

Take the high road from Olympia through the mountains to Nauplia. It's parrow and winding, but it passes through villages where red-ole houses are

Out in the bay floats the fortified islet of Bourtsi. Pastel-painted buildings with busy sidewalk tavernas line the waterfront. Just behind them is the old city with neoclassical houses sporting flower-filled balconies and narrow, pedestrian-only alleyways framed with smart shops and tiny set-in-the-street tavernas. Looming oo the hill overlooking this is the Venetian fortress of Palamidi. In the summer the fort is highlighted at night, and in the spring there is a blaze of

wildflowers. Nauplia also has a Saturday morning farmers' market where piles of juicy strawberries and tomatoes share space with giant artichokes and cabbages. Most of Nauplia is walkable, even the hilltop fortress if one wants to climb almost 900 steps, but with a rental car, it would be crazy not to drive.

CAR TRAVEL TIPS

Arrange for a rental car before you go. Sometimes it's possible to get a good deal on a notel-car package. pay to be shy. Get a good road map! Fill up with gas before entering long stretches of

road. Mountain towns, beach towns and some facilities are not always open off-season. Greece's hot season is May to October, off-season is November to April. It's less crowded then, but can be cold and rainy.

IF YOU GO

Hotels: Check to see if rooms have heat and hot water, and look for the location of plugs/outlets (take an extension cord) and lumpy beds. Greek hotels do not compare favorably with those in other parts of Europe, so look a room over before taking it.

What to wear: For car travel, go casual and comfortable; few places require dressy clothes. Take sturdy walking shoes any time. If you go off-season, take an umbrella and sweaters.

Attractions: All charge \$4 to \$10. Check individual sites for opening and closing times. Off-season hours are irregular.

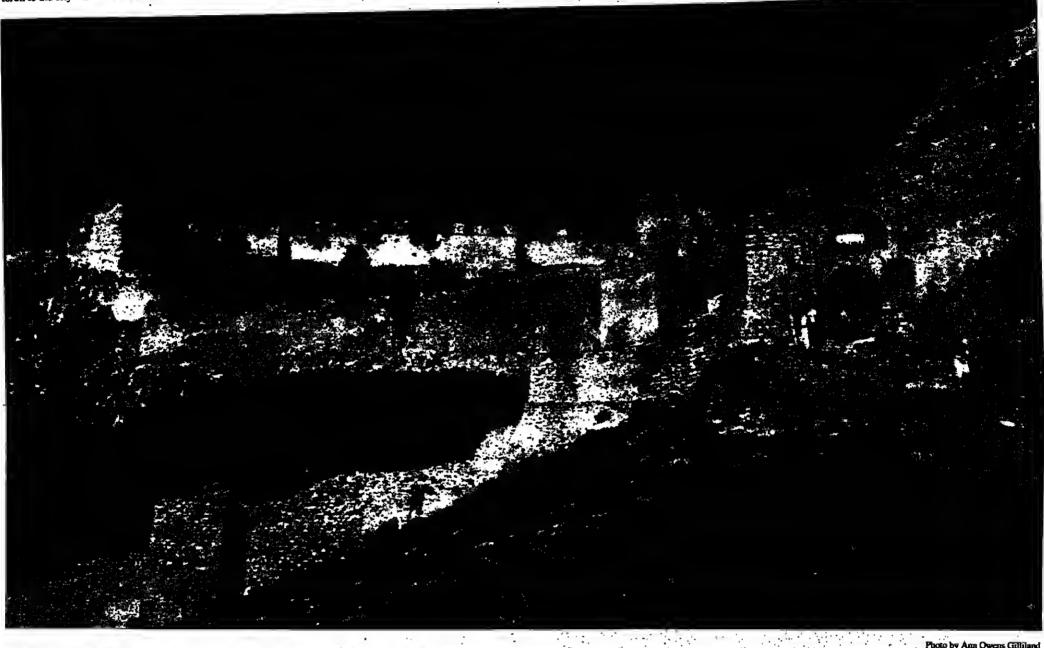


Photo by Ann Owens Gilliland

The Acrocornith, located near Cornith, Greece, is the largest and eldest fortress in the Peloponnese

Little of the old stadium is left save a stone archway leading into the arena, a few stone benches for VIP spectators and a stone starting block that stretches across the grassy arena.

The stadium is part of an extensive archaeological site that is still being excavated. Dominating the center of the tree-shaded site are the remains of the

stepped down mountainsides and where grizzled old men guzzle ouzo at roadside tavernas. In between is breathtaking scenery.

Nauplia-or Nafplion --- is wrapped inside the Argolic Bay some 91 miles southwest of Athens and is close enough to other sites to make the seaside village a pleasing centerpiece.

If flying into Athens, try to arrange to pick up the . rental car at the city's edge to avoid driving in traffic. Wherever the car is picked up, take the national highway and follow the signs, which are written first in. Creek, then sometimes in English. Bone up on the

Greek alphabet so you can read road signs. Greek drivers are very aggressive, so it doesn't

Tipping: Tips are added to the bill (by law) at restaurants and tavernas. If service is especially good, leave a few drachmas extra.

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The cathedral is at the edge of the Monastiraki, where there are lively tavernas and hole-in-the-wall cafeterias, which serve coffee, tea and cakes. Enough of gazing at monumeots. Here's a chance to sample Greek ouzo, a licorice-like liqueur and wander around the Monastiraki's flea market. Amid the usual array of cheap souvenirs most shops carry leather goods, Turkish rugs, ceramic copies of museum pieces, and gold and silver jewelry.

After an overview by tour bus and armed with a city map, Athens is navigable by foot. Catching a taxi on the street is almost impossihle, though there are plenty. It's best to call one from a restaurant or

hotel and plan to pay about \$1.35 extra for the summons. Athens also is a good base for side trips to other sites. Cape

It's hard to imagine that this architectural wonder has survived more than 2,400 years despite wars and a 17th century fire that destroyed the roof, much of the interior and more than a dozen columns.

Sounion, for instance, is an easy afternoon trip. The road skirts several affluent suburbs, skims the pretty Saronic Gulf coast and ends at the southernmost point of central Greece. On the point, the Temple of Poseidon, built in 5 B.C., stands 197 feet above the sea. On a day without smog, at least seven islands are visible.

The road to Delphi winds along the Gulf of Itea. Delphi is worth at least a day or more. The archaeological site is a treasure trove including the Temple of Apollo, the statue of the Charioteer and the Naxian column.

Going west from Athens to the Pelopounese, the national road crosses the Corinth Canal—the deep cut in the canal makes a good picture-and goes to ancient Corinth where the apostle Paul lived in 51 A.D. Several tours take in the ruins at Mycenae and the lively tourist seaside town of Nafplion. Atop the craggy cliffs is an ancient Venetian fort and below that an old section of narrow streets with neat shops and a slew of sidewalk tavernas. The Fanaria Taverna may be the best in town for dinner. For drinks, the tavernas along the busy waterfront are lively.

IF You Go

When to go: Although Athens never closes, Greece's "seasoo" runs May to October. From November to April. it's less crowded, but some places are oot fully open and the weather can be cold and

> always casual and hot during season. Off-season, layer clothes like jeans and sweaters and take an umbrella and sturdy walking shoes.

What to wear: Resist overpacking. Greece is

Getting there: Athens has two airports—a west terminal, used by Olympia Air for domestic flights, and an east terminal for international flights.

Getting around: Taxis are inexpensive, but surcharges are added for many things, such as a number of suitcases. The fare should run about \$9 to \$10 from airport to town. City buses go everywhere if you can read Greek, and the KTEL Bus operates to North Greece and the Peloponnese.

Where to stay: For convenience, pick a spot near the Acropolis. As an example, the Divani Palace Acropolis, four to five blocks below the Acropolis, charges \$99 per night for an adequate, but small room for two, which includes a full breakfast. The deluxe Grand Bretagne Hotel, well located near Syntagma square, is \$270

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Volcano From page I

few artifacts. Anything large enough to carry had evidently been : hauled away. No furniture, pots, household utensils, clothing or

And there were no people, unlike Pompeo, where the residents were caught in midstride by searing volcanie gases and ash-and their borrified faces preserved for all of posterity. There were no bodies, no skeletons of man or beast (except for a lone pig) found at

When the volcano finally began to erupt, it buried Akrotin in a thick blanket of volcaric ash. Ironically, it was this ash that cushioned the city against the horrific explosion and preserved it for cen-

If the residents fled the city to other parts of the island, it would have been futile. When the volcano exploded, it took more than half of the island with it. Only the eastern side remained. The rest was blown to bits. The sea rushed in to fill the crater, no doubt spawning the legend of the sinking of Atlantis.

The collapse of the volcano created a giant circular harbor that is now home to fishing boats, ferries and cruise ships coming to and

Visitors to Akrotiri today are led on guided tours through the town. Most of the excavation is covered by a huge roof to protect the ruins-and the tourists-from the stiff winds and blistering

Once inside, antiquity is everywhere. Huge terra-cotta jars that once held grain, oil or wine he abandoned in a roofless storehouse. A grinding stone can be seen through the window of what must have been a mill 3,500 years ago. Broken pottery lies io a heap in an abandoned house.

During the first part of the tour, visitors walk on boardwalks above the ruins, but they soon descend to wander the actual streets

The city doesn't resemble some of the vast, grand cities of the past, such as Ephesus. Akrotiri—at least the part uncovered so far-

is made up of one- to three-story houses. Generally the first floors were used as stores or industries, as there is much evidence of potters, lapidary craftsmen, metalworkers and millers, The upper floors were reserved for living quarters and, in some

cases, temples. Unlike other towns of antiquity, the temples were small affairs scattered throughout the city, rather than a vast and impressive building at the heart of the city. These small temples were decorated with rich frescoes depicting

scenes of the Akrotirians at work and play. (Unfortunately for visitors to Santorini, these magnificent artworks are oow in Athens decorating the National Museum.)

Wander through West Square, one of the largest, and imagine the hustle and bustle of citizens going about their business. Peek in a basement window to see the piles of jars stored there. Another window looks into a workshop, where tools are still strewn about, awaiting the craftsman's return.

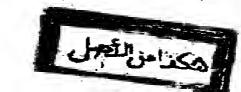
Farther down the street, a large window in the miller's house allowed him to sell his flour directly to people passing by. From across the street, priests could watch their flock from the door of their shrine. Farther along, a jumble of apartment houses stands in ruin.

To get a better idea of how Akrotiri may have looked way back then, head to present-day Thira, the island's primary city. Many parts still resemble an ancient city, with oarrow lanes and alleys connecting humble buildings and shops. But today, instead of selling flour and pottery, the shops sell T-shirts, jewelry and souvenirs.

The streets, many only wide enough for pedestrians, are often crowded with tourists soaking up the atmosphere. Small restaurants and guest houses overlook the spectacular bay far below, and a must-do is sipping a glass of the locally produced wine in a rooftop restaurant as the sm sets over the watery caldera.

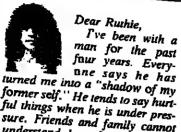
Another favorite touristy thing to do is to ride the donkeys up the cliff side. A wide switchback trail with more than 500 stairs connects the harbor to the town atop the cliffs. Or, there's a cable car for those who like a more civilized way to get up and down the hillside.

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Don't put up with being put down

DEAR RUTHIE RUTHIE BLUM



former self." He tends to say hurtful things when he is under pressure. Friends and family cannot understand how I put up with him. They think I am blind to his faults. This is not true. I aften wish he treated me better, but I lave him fiercely and I know he

He says I am the unly woman who could withstand his insults. My problem is that I am becoming removed from my previous network of friends, since none of them wishes to be with me when I am with this man. I envy other couples who seem to

be able to socialize with one another. But I am torn, because I am so in love. Why must I choose? In Love and Lonely

Somewhere in Israel Dear Lonely Lover,

Putting up with being put down is a dangerous form of "love." The fact that you take pride in your ability to withstand his insults is worrisome. You may not be "blind" to this man's faults, but your vision in relation to yourself must be blurry.

You envy other couples' ability to socialize with one another yet you are more intent upon eliciting a pat on the head from a man who is separating you from all other support systems.

I disagree with the assessment that he has "turned you into a shadow of your former self," however. Emotional abuse requires a welcoming recipient. You ask why you are forced to choose hetween the love of a man and that of friends and family.

The answer is that you should not have to choose. Get yourself some professional help, lest you

find yourself taking pride in being able to withstand physical beatings as well.

My friend and I spend a great deal of time discussing the issue of finding a man who isn't either mar-

ried, gay, or a total jerk.
A couple of months ago, she called me to announce that she had met such a man, and was "working on' getting him to notice her in a romantic way. Since then, we spent a lot of time talking about how she should proceed.

Last week, she and I were in a restaurant, and suddenly he appeared. She asked him to join us, which he did. That evening, he called me (after looking my number up in the phone book) and asked me out. I turned him down (though I, too, find him appealing). My problem now is that I don't know whether to tell her, and if so, how to go about doing it. I'm so nervous that I've been avoiding seeing her.

Friend in a Frenzy Tel Aviv

Dear Friend-zied, If you continue avoiding her, you are apt to wind up minus a friend. This would be an ironic twist of circumstance, since you forfeited a date with an appealing

man to avoid losing this friend.

If you don't tell her about the incident, she may continue to talk about him, all the while imagining there is still hope (apparently, this guy knows quite well how to approach a woman he is interested m). She also may hear about it from him - which would be worse.

How she reacts to this tidbit is out of your control. But, at least you will not feel you have to continue being evasive.

Letters should be addressed to: "Dear Ruthie," POB 81, 91000

Computer-fountain makes a splash

A new show involving a free-falling kinetic water fountain has audiences captivated, writes Jessica Steinberg

TEVEN Pevnick has a major marketing dilemma. No-body knows that they need his product. That's a bit of an exaggeration, hut then again, Pevnick's creation does occupy a niche of its own.

Especially when you consider that it takes half a semi-trailer and a crew of three to transport the 43 crates carrying Pevnick's 10-meter-tall, 4,360-kilogram free-falling kinetic water droplet-

Pevnick's calls his creation a multimedia production. It is actually a fountain with computercontrolled valves which the water uses to build words and images, as each valve puts out pixels - the small elements that together form an image - nf water. Using basic computer clip art, graphics that be designs himself and high contrast images like letters and ribbons, Pevnick runs various word-and-image sequences through the program that are then displayed by the water

"It's themed architecture," explains Pevnick. "I took the computer and moved it into urban fountains. I believe this is the next celebration of urban space, the technology of urban public display. Architectural digests tell me that when it's not just research, they'll take a look at it. But I want to bring it to the

The 51-year-old Pevnick - an associate professor of art at the University of Wisconsin - developed the fountain 20 years ago while he was researching the future of urban fountains. After receiving a grant, he designed and patented a water valve that "talks" to the computer. "The university has been a big supporter," he says. "It's a great re-

search environment, very flexible, and they let me try to get this idea out there, sort of like a lecture circuit. They're willing to let me go fishing."

The problem is, it takes money, lots of it, to run this thing. After creating his first fountain, Pevnick was represented by the Klein Art Gallery in Chicago which steered him toward the trade industry, where various companies used the fountain as a backdrop for their merchandise displays at trade shows.

Pevnick grins as he reminisces about his entree into the world of trade and commerce, light years away from research and

"At one show, I was talking to Chris Kennedy, Buhhy's son who's in the family business, Grandpa Kennedy's Merehandise Mart," he relates.

"He said to me, Listen, I've got this building whose lohby is filled with people all the time. They're just waiting to put their name on your fountain.' So I told him, 'Yeah, but who's going to teach my classes while I stay in Chicago for a month to turn on the computer every morning?" " He chuckles. "In short, we have a lot of water and they have carpeting, that's why it can't run by

Pevnick networked his way around, making contact with Kohler, the bathroom-accessory company.

At any given home trade show. the Kohler display attracts 70,000 to 80,000 people during each four-day show. And Pevnick's fountain is the perfect backdrop for Kohler's water-driven products.

"I was shocked at my first trade show, I had no idea," he says. "They have choreographed



Steven Pevnick believes his fountain is the 'next celebration of urban space.'

floor shows and we had to block time for rehearsals. There were soap stars dressed in tuxes and ballet shoes,"

He starts singing, "Kohler "You'll see 30 people sitting gives you water from your bath-

most embarrassed that someone would see me," Pevnick comments. But the trade-show folks love these fountains.

room to your shower. I was al-

one another," says Pevnick. "They only have eyes for the fountain. It's like a little piece of Disney World, people take pictures with the fountain as their backdrop or they sit and relax. It has a life of its own. People don't call for me; they call for my fountain." Pevnick is on sabbancal this

and talking without looking at

year, and came to Israel with his wife Laurie and five-year-old son Gersh to spend the fall semester teaching industrial design at the Center for Technology in Holon. It's been a return to his roots in more ways than one as his academic background is in visual

After graduating from college as an electrical engineer, Pevnick worked in St. Louis on the F4 Phantom flown by the IAF.

He moved on to toy design developing several role-model toys that are on the market.

"I was into electronics and art," he comments. "Everyone else was doing sculpture and drawing. But it was an innovative time. Camcorders were coming out and there was a man on the

He's used to looking ahead, and now he's picturing the fountain's progression from marketing for the trade industry, to amusement architecture in hotel lobbies, casinos and amusement

He speaks excitedly when describing its possibilities.

"You can do anything with the fountain," be says. "You can put the stock market prices up every half hour. It's a public information display that can be culture specifie.

"I get a [trade show] call every other week to bid on, but this is something that should really belong to everyone."

Pevnick envisions mall fountain E-mail, where people can send messages in any language that will then be displayed on the fnuntain, or fountain graffiti, with half hour increments of free drawing time.

"Fountains give you a vision, a moment of contemplation, even at a trade show," he adds.

World peace is in the air, but wars are still brutal

come and gone.

The notion that the end of ideology would end conflict per se was rapidly disproved by the staying power of that old evil, militant nationalism. But this century of horrendous and bloody warfare just may be ending in an unprecedented outbreak of peace.

This time of year is traditionally the season for truces. Twelve months ago former US president Jimmy Carter engineered a cease-fire in Bosnia. During World War I, British soldiers played a famous Christmas football match against their German cnemies in no man's land. Today there are silences on fronts to the north, sonth, east and west.

Many of the most intractable conflicts which have their roots in the post-war settlements of 1919, 1945 and the end of the Cold War are on hold. Those in former Yugoslavia and the Middle East are two, the southern underbelly of the Soviet Union another. Several other tribal wars - such as that in Northern Ireland - have also fallen silent.

"It is true that there is more peace and goodwill to all men this year than last," said Sir Anthony Parsons, Britain's former ambassador to the UN. But he added a predictable caveat. "That doesn't mean that fighting won't break out again or that conflicts have

been resolved." Swedish academics who collate statistics on war, which they define as a conflict involving at least one government and causing 1.000 or more battle-related deaths a year, say that, since they started their records in 1989, there have never been so few wars waged in the world.

It is necessary to go back decades - perhaps as far as the late 1920s - befure one finds an era when the most powerful nations of the world have been so free of war or its threat. In the past even periods of peace were overshadowed by preparations for war, from the rearmament and appeasement of the 1930s to the Mutually Assured Destruction (MAD) of the Cold War.

The great age of conflicts between nation states over territory appears to have passed; the last major example of such a conflict was the Gulf war. Yemeni warplanes did recently swoop over the Eritrean troops who had earlier seized the volcanie island of Hanish al-Kabir in the Red Sea, but there was something rather quaint about 50 traditional a war.

As for the future, military pundits have conjured up images of high-tech wars fought by "smart" weapons (as used in the Gulf war) supposedly designed to avoid civilian casualties.

like Gudermes, the Chechen town where Russian forces battled rebels last month.

In Chechnya, a state is not fighting against another state; central government troops are trying to put down a separatist insurrection. And modern weapons are being deployed, not to minimize collateral damage, but to maximize destruction and the "kill ratio" among the civilian population.

Chechnya, Bosnia and other conflicts point to a regression in the conduct of war to a more brutal, ruthless era.

"We are going back to a world before 1648, before there were nation states as such, back to the 30 Years' War or the 100 Years' War," said Prof. Martin van Creveld of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

"This is a world of small statelets, of warlords with shifting loyalties and wars without major setpiece clashes," he said.

"The conflicts are much more bloody as well. The people fighting them are not just soldiers either, but civilians too. That is why there is no distinction between combatants and noncombatants."

Nowhere is this more apparent than in Africa, where wars characterized by unspeakable acts of violence still rage, and where the UN and the international media

fear to tread. It may be that this sort of conflict will be increasingly confined to regions far removed from the world's strategie mainstream. Where it identifies its interests to be at stake, the international establishment - those countries with the longest strategic and economic "reach" – is prepared to intervene in conflicts as never

Perhaps December 1995 marks a mere hiatus. The antagonists in the conflicts which broke out at the end of the Cold War have fought themselves to a standstill. The new powers which will wage the wars of the next century and are for the moment competing in the new arms races in the Gulf and the Far East are not yet ready to settle old scores on the battlefield.

If there is one major restraint on states' ability to wage war which could ensure that this hiatus lasts it is cost.

There is also the view that, with the growth of democracy, war is simply going out of political fashion. As national leaders seek to win their citizens' votes, they are ever more aware that it is consumer comforts - televisions not armaments - that will

ensure their political survival. (The Sunday Telegraph)

Italian baroness becomes an anti-Mafia crusader

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She tended a decaying mansion in century are already being fought in places. tral Reggio di Calabria, Italy, where she looked after an antiques store, five cats

and her brother, Antonio. All that changed dramatically one July morning in 1991 when a hired gunman pumped three bullets into Antonio's face, leaving him dead at the mansion's doorstep. The killer also leveled the pistol at the baroness, who had been at the gate to see Antonio off, but the weapon misfired. Antonio was killed because he refused to sell an olive grove to a local organized-

crime family. From that moment of death and survival, Cordopatri took up a role for which she hardly seemed prepared and never imagined performing: anti-Mafia crusader.

She refused to give up the land, saw through a painful and dangerous criminal trial of the assassin and his paymasters and is pressing the central government to make war on the moh.

"I want the Italian state to do its duty. The Mafia is stronger than the state - not

government have long ceded parts of the

national territory to the mob. Over the past several decades, law-enforcement campaigns against Mafia dominance have been only sporadie and have not substantially rolled back the influence of organized crime in wide parts of Sicily. Calabria and Campania. Indeed, there is plenty of evidence of

collusion between the Mafia and political parties that have run Italy since World "If it goes on like this," said Salvatore

Boemi, the chief prosecutor in an understaffed anti-crime office in Reggio, "we will be out of business in a year.

"The Baroness Cordopatri is very brave," he continued. "But what is needed is a national strategy against the Mafia, like the war against terror in the 1970s. Anything short of that is useless."

Calabria is one of the more crime-infested parts of Italy. Its branch of the Mafia

money for jobs and investments; it is a place where many people would say the baroness is crazy - even wrong - to fight organized crime.

Among Calabrian Mafia families, it is traditional to appropriate land - not only for its monetary value, but also for its

During the 1960s, the Mafia began to huy up parcels in Piana Gioia Tauro, near Aspromonte mountain.

The method was always the same, Boemi said: a low offer to buy; a refusal from the owner; followed by threats from the would-be purchaser: then the sale, hut often no payment.

In Piana, only the Cordopatris held out. Verbal and written threats streamed into their home. Christmas 1990 brought this greeting: "This holiday, you are eating sweets; the next one, you'll be eating dirt. In July, Antonio was dead.

After the shots were fired, his sister chased the gunman, who was caught by a

and frightened to find out it was a Mafia hit Thousands of families depend on Mafia man; the policeman thought he was just dealing with a purse-snatching.

in prison and one of his paymasters to life in prison for hiring him. Cordopatri, afraid of Mafia vengeance, has a 24-hour armed guard, provided by the government.

Cordopatri hardly had time to savor that victory when an ironie struggle began with the government. Under Italian law, she had to pay an inheritance tax for the land,

about \$80,000. She refused to pay, however, because the Mafia had scared off everyone from working the olive grove. There was no way

to harvest the olives. "We want to pay," Cordopatri said. "But the government cannot provide security to work the land. Why should Italians pay taxes when livelihood and land are off-

limits to them?" Last year Cordopatri held a hunger strike to protest the tax, and officials agreed to delay payment.

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Namir: No intention of bringing in Chinese workers

MICHAL YUDELMAN

LABOR and Social Affairs Minister Ora Namir yesterday dismissed the suggestion of bringing 50,000 Chinese workers here. stating that the matter is not on the government's agenda.

Namir was commenting on a report in Yediot Aharonot yesterday that China proposed sending 50,000 construction workers and engineers.

According to the report, a seoior official from China's Foreign Ministry made the suggestion to Jerusalem deputy mayor Ariel Cohen, with whom he is in personal contact, and asked him to relay the offer to the housing and labor ministries here.

"We have learned that there is a demand in Israel for 50,000 foreign workers and engineers in the coostructioo field, the Chincse official wrote. "We shall be happy to offer you the services of Chinese companies specializing in large construction projects all over the world, including the

Middle East." Namir said she does not approve of importing workers from China and has no intection of permitting it. Namir's position was conveyed to the Chinese ambassador in Israel about a month ago, during a meeting with

Some 50,000 foreign workers, mostly from Romania, are already working in Israel. About 2,000 of these workers are from China, Labor Mioistry sources

The sources said there is no urgent need for foreign workers or for the services of contracting companies. Once the relations with the Palestinian Antocomy are regulated, the demaod for foreign workers is expected to be fulfilled by Palestinians, they

Man Co. to announce buyer of Elite shares soon

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THE Man company of Britain, which controls about 24 percent of Elite Iodustries shares, is expecied to announce next week which consortium will nurchase its shares in the food company.

Man met with representatives of the Federman group and the Bino consortium in its offices in London yesterday. The two groups are competing against each other for controlling interest

Clal Industries, a subsidiary of Clal Israel, is closely following developments in Man's offices in anticipation of joining up with the Federman group, which is headed by Elite chairman and geoeral manager David

A senior source in Clal said the company regards Elite as a business opportunity, but the company's board of directors has not reached a final decision oo the

Published reports said Clal and Federman have an understanding regarding a joint bid, and the maximum price they will

be prepared to pay for the sbares. The situation is that we do not have enough information to reach a decisioo," said the source. "We are waiting to see what will happen in London." The source said Clal has oot

sent anyone to London to take part in the negotiations, but it has a Londoo-based representative who will be able to intervene if necessary to secure a joint arrangement. Clat's teaming up with Federman is expected to strengthen Federman's chances of purchasing Man's shares.

The Federman group is bclieved to consist of David Federman, his brother and father. Together the Federman family holds about 16% of Elite's shares.

The Bino group is made up of Paz chairman Zadik Bino and the Australian-based Liberman

It is believed that over the last few weeks Bino has negetiated with Elite's other major sharebolders, the Arad and Jesselson

families, in attempt to purchase their shares in the company. The two families each control 8% of Elite's shares.

According to published re-ports, Bino's bid is more than 50% higher than the market price. Bank Hapoalim's economic research department recently valued Elite at \$240 millioo-\$250m. The appraisal was made in the middle of December, at a time wheo Elite's shares were being traded at a market value of about \$202m.

The bank assumes Elite net profits for 1995 will reach NIS 48.5m. but drop to NIS 31.8m. in 1996 as a result of competitioo from Osem and Nestle.

Man decided to sell its holdings in Elite several mooths ago following forecasts that the company is going to go through a diffi-cult period, because it is disappointment with the firm's performance, especially overseas, and duc to the high turnover amoog Elite's scnior managers during the last two years.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Cimatron of the Clal Computers group announced yesterday it has filed for an initial public offering with the US Securities Exchange Commission. The firm intends to raise between \$15 million and \$21m. on Nasdaq, of which between up to NIS 60m.
will be used to expand Cimatroo's hosiness.

Rachel New

Economic agreements signed with Vietnam: Finance Minister Avraham Shohat and Vietnamese Finance Minister Ho Te signed three economic agreements yesterday. The first establishes a framework for general cooperation in the fields of agriculture, science, trade, and technology. The second is a tourism agreement, and the third is a memorandum of understanding on customs issues that includes plans to have Israel train Vietnamese customs officials and to work on joint projects to prevent smuggling.

Sonol is in the final stages of negotiations with the US firm Southland, owners of the 7-11 coovenience stores, for a master franchise agreement. A decision will be made by next week, Granite Hacarmel president Moshe Erez announced yesterday. Soool, a wholly owned subsidiary of Granite Hacarmel, has invested \$1.5m. in local firm Hom Tov to develop a technology for fuel derived from oil shale and raw fuel residue.

With an end goal of increased customer service, Erez outlined planned changes in Sonol stations, including development of a self-service system, negotiations with the Subway and McDonald's fast food chains, convenience stores

Ben-Gurion passenger traffic increases 15%

A TOTAL of 6.8 million passengers passed through Ben-Gurion Airport last year, a 15-percent rise from 1994, according to figares released yesterday by the Civil Aviation Administration

administration's annual report, was the result of a rise in both the oumber of incoming tourists and of Israelis traveling abroad. The CAA noted that the local

The increase, according to the

carriers - El Al and the Sun Dor and Arkia charter companies together enjoyed 46.8% of the El Al had an 18% increase in

passengers from 1994, while the two charter companies together had 23% more. As expected, El Al was by far

the largest carrier, with 2.8 millioo passengers, 41.1% of the to-

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of scheduled airlines in comparisoo to charters, with a 16% growth in the former and 14% for the latter.

The second largest oumber of passengers was carried by TWA, which bad 278,000, or 4.1%. Turkish Airliocs was in third place with 273,000, or 4%. The fourth and fifth positions were beld by Lofthaosa (235,000, 3.4%) and British Airways (226,000, 3.3%)

Airlines showing large iocreases in traffic included Air Sinai, the Egyptair subsidiary flying hard fast jumped 64%;
Turkish Airlines, which showed a 27% rise; and the Romanian airline Tarom, which had 28% more passengers than in 1994.

Air France and Austrian Airlines both suffered a 6% drop in the number of passengers.

Airlines which began flying berc last year included World

Bezek to hold tender for advanced billing system

BEZEQ announced yesterday it will bold a closed tender for five companies for the development and establishment of an advanced billing system for telecommunications services.

The competing companies are AT&T Solutions, GTE-DS, Andertender in a few weeks.

Bezeq director-general Yitzhak Kaul said the project is a major step io the company's efforts to deal with competition from private firms.

When it is completed, the project will provide Bezeq customers with varied and personalized packages of services and information, as well as payment options. The five potential suppliers were selected after a careful examination of their abilities.

Bezeq said the choice of the five foreign contenders will not prevent local software contractors.



Israel Export Institute director-general Amir Hayak (left) and Amra Argin, deputy secretary of tal. In 1994, El Al carried 2.3 Turkey's Center for the Promotion of Exports, shake hands yesterday in Tel Aviv after signing a million passenger, or 40.3% of bere last y deal promoting trade between the two countries. The agreement also calls for exchanging economic the total.

Airlines, Ai information and experts, joint market research, and joint development of products (Yisnel Hadar).

There was a slight shift in favor Korean Air.

Japan surplus falls for first time in five years

TOKYO (Reuter) - Japan's cootentious trade surplus fell for the first time in five years in 1995, and economists said it could fall

further this year. One reason is structural change in the economy, which now has a higger appetite for imports, they

The Finance Ministry said yesterday that the surplus in 1995 fell to \$107.10 billion from a record

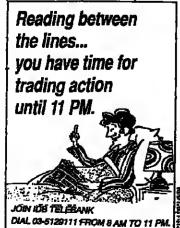
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\$120.86b. a year earlier.

"I believe this trend of a continuous decline in Japan's trade surplus will continue, at least in 1996, due mainly to sharply increasing imports," said Takumi Tsunoda, an economist at Yamaichi Research Institute.

In December, the overall trade surplus declined to \$10.95b. from \$13.03b. a year earlier.

Japan's politically seositive trade surplus with the US, often a cause of friction between the two countries, also fell for the first time in five years. It amounted to \$45.56b. in 1995 against \$54.90b. a year earlier.

Economists said they expected Japan's overall surplus to fall by betweeo \$10b. and \$30b. in 1996. Yamaichi's Tsuooda said he expected the trade surplus to fall

to about \$78.3b. in 1996. "We believe the trade surplus is now on a shrinking trend," a senior Finance Ministry official said. "We hope it will decline further in line with future progress in structural reforms in the

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The yen's long rise up to mid-1995 and a resultant decline in Japanese competitiveness abroad led to iocreased imports and prompted Japanese firms to shift production offshore.

The dollar stood at an average of 93.76 yen in 1995, against an average of 102.37 yea in 1994.

Many Japaoese manufacturers, led by the country's largest vehicle maker, Toyota Motor Corp. have boosted ontput abroad to avoid high production costs at home and to help ease trade tensioo with other countries, particularly the US.

"We are seeing Japan's trade surplus with the US decline sharply," Brian Pearce, chief ecocomist at SBC Warburg io Tokyo said. "That's going to defuse a lot of tension.

But he added there was a possibility of rises in tension between Tokyo and Washington in some industry sectors.

For instance, on Tuesday, Japan flatly rejected US calls to extend a five-year-old pact on microchip trade.

The tender forms may be perused at the Department of Orders, 15 Retrov Hazvi, Jerusalem, Sunday - Thursday, 9 a.m. - 12 noon.
 The tender documents may be obtained from the Purchasing Unit, the Department of Tenders and Orders, 15 Retrov Hazvi, Jerusalem, Sunday - Thursday, 9 a.m. - 12 noon, room 609, Tel. 02-395614/5.

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IN the January 17th issue of Money magazine, columnist Pinchas Landan applanded the bureaucracy's blatantly illegal treatment of a law to establish a Free Export Processing Zooc (FEPZ),

passed by the Knesset in June Instead of being implemented to the letter, the FEPZ Law was secretly revised and essentially destroyed by a committee of bureascrats who presented it to Finance Minister Avraham Shohat. He evidently thought it was now no longer expedient to concern himself with the integrity of a bill

ed to the final insult. Aod now, Mr. Laodau has made this story of unlawful conduct, bureaucratic arrogance and mioisterial opportunism into a

passed by the Knesset, violated

hy bureancrats, and then subject-

Public relations artists do this sort of thing. We don't expect it from journalists. But Israelis should know, if Landau does not, that the world expects law, constitutionalism and fair-dealings

celebration.

tees, and had finally become law? Bezeq - The Israel Telecommunication Corp. Ltd.

> According to Landau, the FEPZ is really a gimmick for free land and no taxes, flatly rejected by "journalists, independent academics, and most other outsiders." In fact, most independent academics and outsiders em-

Moreover, the Israel Export Development Co. (IEDC) rejected the "special deals" concerning land and taxes commonly offered bere, and demanded instead a general law that would allow the emergence of many competitive zones. In fact, everything about the FEPZ initiative resides in this noiot: the burcaucrats offered IEDC "deals" because they wanted to maintain their absolute control over business. IEDC rejection of this is what the FEPZ Law is about.

Landan's account is indistin-

OPINION

DAVID YERUSHALMI guishable from the earliest atfrom Israel, and it is wary of se-cret deceit, open applause for it,

If an article in a newspaper which counsels applause at what is in fact the victory of Israeli statism over democracy does not employ argument or data, bot uses instead ad bominem assaults, false assertion, and wild innuendo, is there no line in the saod that tells us, "we have crossed the boundary of civility

and endless schnorring for more

and good sense?" If a writer at once praises "democracy," but then praises its bureaucratic defeat (i.e. the defeat of law), one might guess that the line in the sand is being crossed. Was it not a democratic system that worked when the FEPZ proposal underwent two years of open and public debate, passed through over 20 separate commit-

If one praises the destruction of this law, whatever his reasons, does he not promote lawlessness. incivility and all the hypocrisy of Israeli political life that should by now shame us?

braced the idea.

Dilution of FEPZ bill victory of statism over democracy

What would the government. receive? Wrong question. What do Israelis receive? No more taxficanced handonts for government; a universal 15% corporate tax on distributed profits; hundreds of millions of dollars of direct foreign investment; And tens of thousands of high-tech jobs,

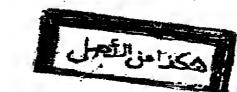
without a single Intel-like bribe. Landan rounded out with an attack on The Wall Street Journal for its pro-FEPZ coverage of this talc. In the end, Israel is illserved by statist bureaucrats and by some politicians and journalists who cootinue to believe that the world is listening to their applause and not watching the facts oo the ground.

The writer is CEO and chairman of the Israel Export Develop-

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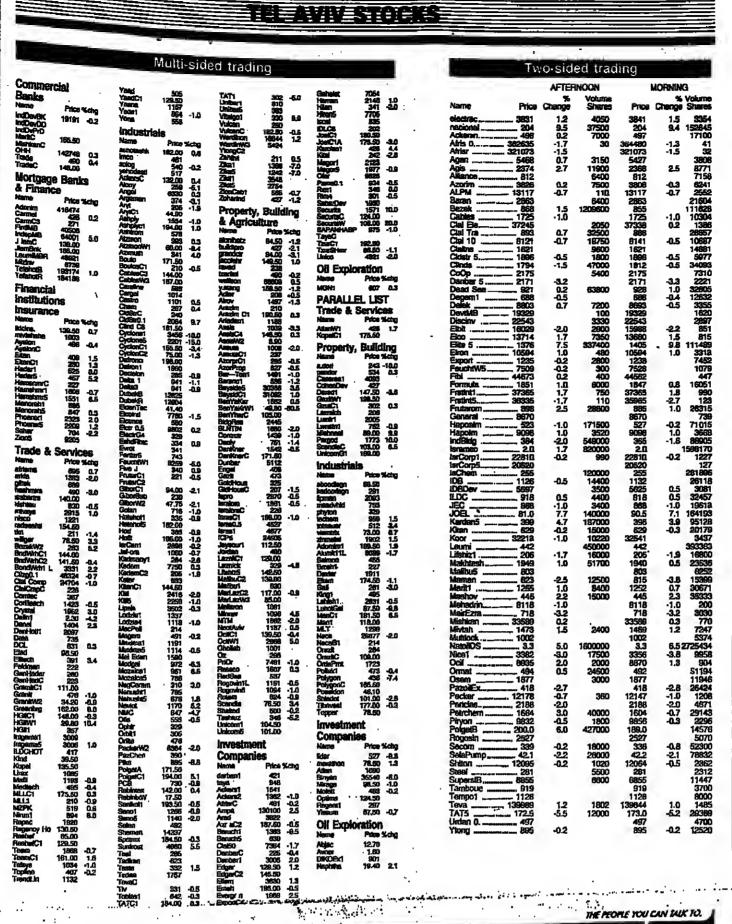
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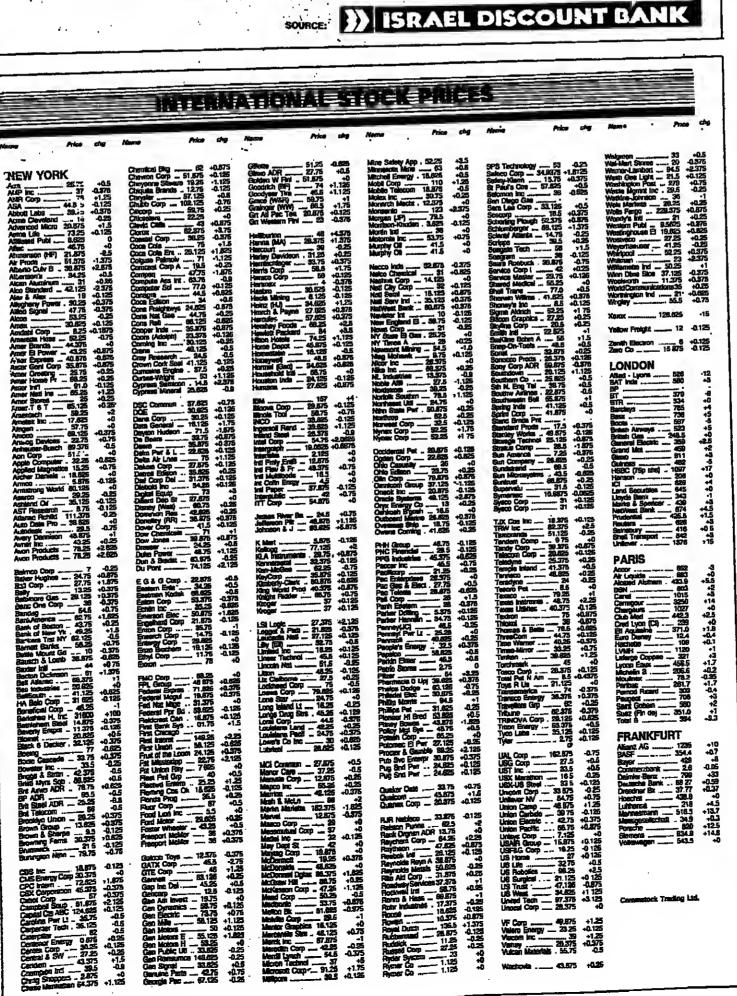
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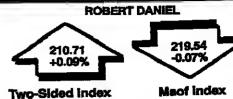
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Shares close little changed

TEL AVIV STOCK MARKET



STOCKS elosed little changed yesterday as investors prepared for index options expirations to-

The most active stock was Bezeq, which advanced 1.5 percent on NIS 13.5 millinn shares

"Today and tomorrow, the market is under the influence of the options expiriog," says Doron Tsur, bead of research at Sahar Securities. The notions that expire today are profitable if the Maof Index stays at current

levels, around 220, analysts said. As for interest rates, "expecta-tions are fir in change" when the Bank of Israel meets on Monday, Tsur said.

The money supply rose in December, and "in January, M1 is still growing," Tsur said. Still, ceotral baok goveroor Jacob Frenkel "is very unpredictable. I believe be would prefer to wait, but you oever know."

A cut in rates, whieb would benefit stocks by making borrowing cheaper for companies and boosting their profits, "would he a big surprise in the market," Tsur said. The central bank has made fightiog ioflatioo a top

The Two-Sided Index closed up 0.09%, at 210.71. The Maof Index last 0.07%, falling to

About three issues fell for every two that rase. Tradiog reached NIS 102.3m. worth of shares, about the month's

Elite Industries advanced 7.5% on NIS 6.2m. traded. Press reports said Elite's chairman and the holding company Clal Israel are making a joint bid to buy the 24% of Elite beld by the British commodities firm E.D. & F. Man. Their rival is the Liberman

the Paz fuel company. Chemicals issues were mostly higher: Agis added 2.75%, Petrochemicals rose 3%, Makhteshim advanced 1%, and Agan tacked on 0.75%. Israel Chemicals was

family of Australia, which owns

unchanged. Shekem fell 2%. Earlier this week, Ha'aretz ran a story on the firm's restructuring under chairman Gershon Salkind.

"Iovestors bave great coofidence in Mr. Salkind, and he has a track record, you can't deny it," nf turning around distressed com-

At the same time, the stock is "a bit expensive compared to others. I'm willing to buy coough of a discount" in Sbekem's (Bloomberg)

FTSE Index up 23.2 points

WORLD MARKET ROUNDUP

the FTSE, buoyed by a 59-point rise on Wall Street after earlier showing reluctance to follow the New York market.

points up at 3,758.2. Traders said the market remains wary about the Dow's recent volatility, faced by the uncertainty over the US

Fresh hopes of further interest rate cuts, following a bigger theo expected cut in the Bundesbank's repo rate, belped give the market an early boost.

FRANKFURT - German shares ended bourse trade high, as hopes for rate cut and firm dollar eootinoe to support the

market. The market has quieted after early spurt and dealers see little further room for gains, but welcomed the DAX's success io

passing well above the key 2,400 The 30-share DAX Iodex clused up 38.60 points to 2,423.07. To post-bourse trade the DAX Index stood at 2,436.68

цр 43.56. PARIS - Freoch sbares, buoyed by a raily on Wall Street, shook off fears of renewed labor unrest in France to close higher.

The bourse had slipped earlier after the Communist-led CGT union called for a week of protests, but investors concluded the threat was not too serious, a trad-

ZURICH - Swiss shares slackened off after a stronger beginning to end virtually unchanged.

Dealers said the positive factors stemming from the firming dollar, a technical rebound after Tuesday's losses and a friendly bond market were offset by the lack of follow-through buying and a certain degree of mistrust in

The all-sbare SPI rose 1.03 points to 2,106.56.

TOKYO - Tokyo shares eoded higher after falling through the key 20,000 level, brokers said sectiment improved as followthrough selling failed to emerge at lows, the strong dollar also lent support and some said the market ... was turning around after the latest adjustment.

The 225-share Nikkei average finished up 231.82 points, or 1.15 percent, to 20,312.74.

HONG KONG - Hong Kong stocks closed narrowly mixed in directinnless trading, held back by Wall Street's dip and contin-

ued profit-taking.
The hlue-chip Hang Seng Index put oo 2.99 points to end at 10,960.21.

SYDNEY - The Australian share market ended a listless day lower as investors deserted gold stocks but otherwise remained disinterested.

The All Ordinaries lodex clused 10.9 poiots lower at

Dow ends at record high on fresh budget hopes WALL STREET REPORT

NEW YORK (Reuter) - The blue-chip Dow Index raced up to a new record high yesterday nn fresh hnpes that an agreement can be reached in the federal bud-

get battle. Based on early and unofficial data, the Dow Jones industrial average ended up 50.57 points at 5,242.84, beating Mnnday's record of 5,219.36.

Early in the session, the index soared oearly 65 points.

In the broader market, advancing issues swamped declines 14-8 on volume of 477 million shares.

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Agassi returns to No. 1 rank

MELBOURNE (Reuter) American Andre Agassi won back tennis's world No. I ranking yesterday with a bruising five-set quarterfinal victory over compatriot Jim Courier at the Australian Open.

He was joined in the last four by unseeded Australian Mark Woodforde, a surprise late-night winner over seventh-seeded Swede Thomas Enqvist, and Boris Becker who hlitzed Russian Yevgeny Kafelnikov.

Agassi clawed his way back from two sets down for the first time in a major event, to take the match 6-7, 2-6, 6-3, 6-4, 6-2 in three hours, 18 mioutes of fero-

cious, power tennis. Agassi looked as though he had let the opportunity to retake the top world ranking slip within the first hour as Courier took a two-set lead. Down a break after the first

game of the third set, Agassi seemed despondent and completely unable to tame eighth seed Courier's booming forehand and serve, both at their hrutal best. But the man who at his best can

out-return any opponent, raised his game just in time, moving into a 180 kph (112 mph) serve and drawing gasps as he smashed a return across court to earn three break points in the very next game.

Agassi went on to take the second game of the third set and never looked in serious jeopardy for the remainder of the match,

breaking Courier another four times to seal it.

Fourth seed Boris Becker hlasted world No. 6 Yevgeny Kafelnikov off the Flinders Park center court, beating the Russian 6-4, 7-6, 6-1 for a place in the semifinals. After losing the first set,

Kafelnikov appeared set to level the match when he raced to a 5-1 lead in the second set tie-breaker. But Becker clawed his way back to a set point at 6-5, producing a breathtaking, lunging volley at 5-2, arguably the the shot of the

tournament. The 30-year-old Woodforde, ranked 67 in the world and a douhles specialist, collapsed on his back in disbelief at making his grand slam semifinal at the 38th attempt after defeating Enqvist 6-4, 6-4, 6-4 on center court in a wily display of serve and volley.

Woodforde's remarkable win over Enqvist was huilt around a near-flawless service game, which brought him 16 aces, and a ploy to play much of the match at the net. forcing his more powerful opponent on to the back foot.

Cheered to victory by a fiercely partisan crowd, Woodforde said he had banked on his own quick reflexes at the net and timing on the serve to beat Enqvist.

Woodforde will be the first Australian to play in a semifinal here since Pat Cash in 1988.

Greece upstages Israel

GREECE took advantage of poor play by the national team's defense to defeat Israel 2-1 in Khalkis yesterday in the first warm-up match ahead of the

World Cup qualifying campaign.

Greece looked decidedly out of sorts during the opening minutes of the match. The Israeli midfield exploited this to string together several good moves, which led to comfortable scoring chances for Haim Revivo, Reuven Atar and Ronnen Harazi within the first 15. minutes.

But then, just as it seemed as if Israel would definitely get on the scoresheer, the Greeks picked up the pace and applied moderate pressure on the Israeli backs.

The Greeks did oot need much more than this, as Israel's detense gave them plenty of help. Captain' Nir Klinger set up

Greece's first goal in the 27th minute. In trying to clear the hall away for a corner, he found the

MACCABI Tel Aviv faces a

daunting task tonight in its

European Club Championship

battle against Barcelona in Spain.

that even the greatest of Maccabi teams find it difficult to win in

Spain (a 4-21 all-time record there

during the championships).
Or that Maccabi, playing on the

road, has not beaten a European

club with a winning percentage above 215 since February 1992

Or that since 1984, Barceloua

has trounced Maccabi the other

five games in Spain by an average

It's also that this season's ver-

sion of Barcelona is oo easier to

beat than the teams that have

advanced to four of the past seven

In fact, Barcelona enters the

game in first place in Group B

with a 7-3 record, riding a fiveg-

The club, undefeated at home

this season in European play, has a

seven-game home winning streak

over two seasons and has lost only one of its last 16 European games

It has also woo six straight

Spanish league contests to move.

club. During its current five game :

European winning streak, which

includes shocking away wins over

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It's not only the historical fact

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Glan, and the ball ended up in the back of the oet, with goalkeeper Rafi Cohen unable to come to the rescue.

Neither team was particularly impressive to the run-up to halftime, but then, just one minute before the break, Glam was in the thick of the action again as he fouled Nikolaidis - who darted into the area from the right. The referee did not hesitate and

pointed to the penalty spot, as Vassilis Tsartas made it 2-0 by shooting low and hard to Cohen's left. The Greeks continued to expose Israel's weakness at the back. Confronting a defense which resembled a Swiss Gruyere cheese, the Greeks made several more forays at the visitors' goal, but could not hit the target.

In the 74th minute, Limpopolos crashed the ball onto the crossbar,

Red-hot Barcelona awaits

and just one mioute later Greece had another chance to score, again from the penalty spot - when Alon Harazi brought down Kostis.

Apostolakis shot low at Bonnie Ginsburg, who played the entire second half. Ginsburg dove and deflected the ball over the bar. Israel's consolatioo goal was

scored by Ronnen Harazi in the 89th minute, when he only just managed to put the ball in the Greek goal after a good midfield move orchestrated by Eyal Berkowitz and contioued by Haim

Shlomo Scharf clearly has a Revivo. great deal more work to do before Israel is ready for the World Cup qualifiers; which will begin latter

He will oeed to pay particular this year. attention to the defense, as on yesterday's showing Israel will be able to patent its own form of cheese - one which has only holes and no yellow stuff.

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Bulls punish Knicks at the Garden

NEW YORK (AP) - Micbael Jordan scored 33 points, and the Chicago Bulls hlew past the New York Knicks with a 19-2 thirdquarter run on the way to their 12th straight victory. 99-79 Tuesday night.

Jordan needed just 36 minutes to score his 33 points, the eighth straight game in which he's put up 30 or more. He's averaging 38.5 during his current streak.

The Bulls, 35-3 this season, opened a 20-point lead in the third quarter with their big run, and the score was 76-56 at the end of three quarters.

Down by nine at halftime, the Knicks made their best defensive stand of the game early in the third quarter, holding the Bulls scoreless for almost three minutes and cutting the lead to 57-50 with 7:44 left in the period. That was the last time New York would be in the game.

The Knicks, who have lost five of their last eight games and three straight at home, were led by John Starks with 15 points, Luc Longley had 14 points and 10 rebounds for the Bulls while holding Patrick Ewing to 10 points on

5-for-17 shooting.
Magic 105, 76ers 90
Shaquille O'Neal scored 20 points and Dennis Scott had five 3-pointers as Orlando stayed unbeaten at home. Scott finished with 19 points for the Magic, who reached the halfway point of their home schedule with a 21-0 record. Nick Anderson had 17 points and Penny Hardaway 16.

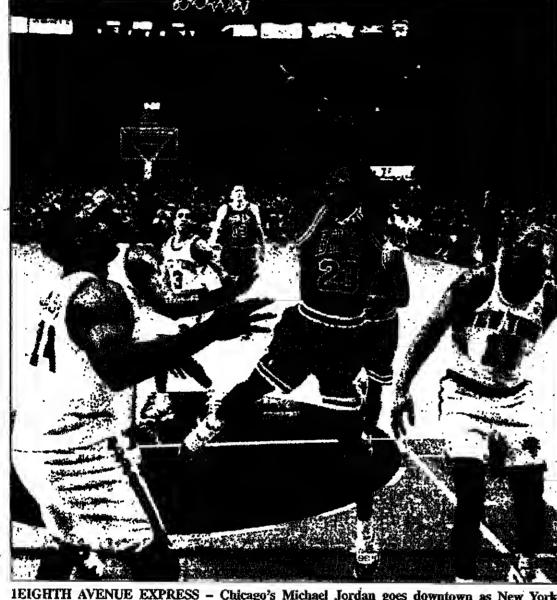
Trevor Ruffin scored 21 points for the 76ers, who lost for the sixth straight time amid reports that couch John Lucas would be replaced as the The Sixers trailed 48-39 at halftime after shooting only 33 percent (14-of-42) from the field. Philadelphia's starting five was a combined 6-for-25

Pacers 117, Suns 102 Reggie Miller scored a season-high 40 points in host Indiana's demolition of Phoenix, handing new coach

Cotton Fitzsimmons his third defeat in four games Charles Barkley, who returned to the Suns' lineup Sunday after missing six games with a toenail injury, scored 20 points, and Kevin Johnson had 17

for Phoenix. Antonio Davis started in place of Rik Smits, who say out with a sore right foot after leading the Pacers in scoring for four straight games. Davis finished with 16 points and 10

rebounds The Pacers opened a 15-point lead in the first 3½ minutes of the second quarter as Miller scored 10 points,



1EIGHTH AVENUE EXPRESS - Chicago's Michael Jordan goes downtown as New York's Anthony Mason (I) and Derek Harper look on helplessly.

including two 3-pointers, in a 12-4 run. Indiana stretched the lead to 64-47 at the half, then opened a 77-52 lead after Miller scored 12 points in the first five minutes of the second half.

Hawks 84, Cavaliers 72 Craig Ehlo scored nine of his 11 points in the fourth quarter, and visit-ing Atlanta held Cleveland to 13 in the final period to win its ninth consecu-

TUESDAY'S NBA RESULTS: Toronto 86, New Jersey 79 Orlando 105, Philadelphia 90 Atlanta 84, Cleveland 72 Indiana 117, Phoenix 102 Chicago 99, New York 79 Utah 96, Portland 72 Dallas 111, Sacramento 109

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Maccabi challenge tonight **BRIAN FREEMAN**

er is small forward Arturas Karnisovas, the Lithuanian international and Seton Hall gradnate. He is averaging 20.6 points and 6.7 rebounds a contest, while shooting 46.4 percent (13-28) from three-point land and 87.5% (63-72) from the free-throw line.

The other foreigner, front court player Dan Godfread, averages 17.9 points and a team-leading 7.0 rebounds. He is also not afraid to shoot from the outside, hitting 47.6% (10-21) of his three-point

Barcelona, however, is not a team that relies only on its foreigners. The native-born members provide a wonderful supporting cast.

The team's impressive 43.6%: (75-172) shooting percentage from three-point range is paced by Javier Fernandez, who knocks in an eye-opening 55.2% from behind the arc (21-28), including 62.1% (18-29) during the current

winning streak. The return of point guard Jose. Galilea from injury with the beginning of the streak is surely not coincidental.

His steady play has helped direct the offensive, boosting the no to second place with a 17-5 team's scoring production from an Barcelona is a well-balanced true games he misself to 88.2 a contest since he came back.

The team philosophy has also allowed Barcelona to control the boards in almost all its games. despite no player averaging more than seven rebounds a cootest. . In its first encounter against Maccabi earlier this season at Yad

Eliahu, Barcelona lost 94-85, even though Tom Chambers shot 0-14 from the floor and finished with only two points.

Chambers will hopefully reverse that performance tonight, after scoring 30 points in Maccabi's 94-82 victory last week

over Benfica Lisbon. Even if Maccabi fails to pull out a victory tonight, there is a good chance the two teams currently tied with it (Pau-Orthez and Cibona Zagreb) for the fourth and last quarter-final spot from the

group, will also lose. Pan-Orthez faces Panathinaikos in Greece, while Cibona hosts Real Madrid. The other Group B matchup pits Buckler Bologna against visiting Benfica Lisbon.
Tonight's Maccabi-Barcelona

game is scheduled to be broadcast live on Channel I starting at 9 p.m.

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UConn wins by team record 70 points

HARTFORD (AP) - Rudy Johnson knows career games can come more easily against nonconference opponents like Central Connecticut State. He's not going to let that stop him from thinking he can score more in the Big East. Johnson's confidence got a big boost Tuesday night, when he scored a career-high 24 points in 14 minutes as the fourth-ranked Huskies clobhered the Blue Devils 116-46, the largest victory margin in Connecticut's history.

Johnson finished 8-for-10, hitting all three of his 3-point attempts and all five of his free throws. Ironically, the only shots he missed were dunk attempts. The Huskies (17-1) extended

their winning streak to a school-record 16 and continued their tradition of crushing Central Rashamel Jones finished with a

career-high 21 points and Ruslan Inyatkin's 11 points also were his best. Ray Allen, who missed his first five shots, made his next 11 and finished with 27 points. Doron Sheffer chipped in 11

TUESDAY'S COLLEGE HOOPS: Connecticut 116, Cent. Conn. 46 Massachusetts 79, Pittsburgh 71 (OT) Texas Tech 72, S. Methodist 60

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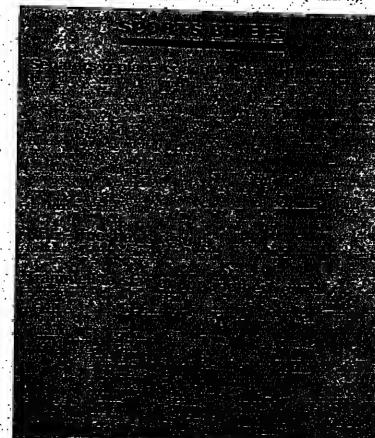
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MENDI Rodao leads the Israel Symphooy Orchestra Rishoo Lezion in Sibelius's Second Symphony and Haydn's 94th Symphony, while Guy Braunsteio performs Berg's violin concerto Saturday at the Tel Aviv Performing Arts Center (8:.30 p.m.). At 7 p.m. at the side stage of the Tel Aviv Performing Arts Center, orchestra members perform a chamber music soirce.

The Autheotica early music coocert series opens with the Biedermeier Woodwind Quintet performing works hy hy Danzi, Beethoven, Rossioi and Reicha, all on period instruments. Tooight at the Noga Theatre io Jaffa and Saturday at the Henry Crown Symphooy Hall in Jerusalem at 8:30.

DANCE

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MOSHE Vardi presents the premiere of a new

dance evening titled Mene Uve, which we are told is a surrealistic and visual opus performed

evening of three modern dance works tomorrow (10 p.m.) and Saturday (9 p.m.) at the Suzanne Dellal Center in Tel Aviv.

TELEVISION

RUTH KERN

THIS weekend provides a wonderful chance to catch three major actors at their artistic high points, when they could still surprise us. Jack Nicholson hadn't yet lapsed into his

repertoire of maniacal grins wheo he starred in the elegiac, hleakly funny Five Easy Pieces. Watch for the classic diner scene, Friday at 10 p.m. 00 Second Showing. In The Apprenticeship of Duddy Kravitz,

Richard Dreyfuss perfected the twitchy, wiseguy image that would carry him through so many other roles. The hiting portrait of a Jewish kid on the make in Montreal can be seen Friday oo Channel 1 at 10:10 p.m. For years, Sidney Poitier singlehandedly car-

ried the hlack man's horden in film. He did it with tremendous grace and quiet

humor, but such complications as sex were rarely allowed to muddy the waters. In Lilies of the Field, for instance, his co-star is an East German oun.

It's a lovely movie, nevertheless. Catch it Saturday oo Channel 1 at 11:45 a.m.

CRYPTIC CROSSWORD

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1 Free a deserter hald by American soldiers (6) 4 New garden city of old

splendour (8) 9 Money-making flair (6) 10 Move West from Wyoming in terrible disgrace (8)

12 Stake one's fortune? (4) 13 Good man consumed by

power (5) 14 Not the top team (4) 17 But not all its members are

foot-soldiers (8,4) 20 Mooey to be apent like water? (6.6)

23 Love to knock back drink after work (4)

24 Waste parts of Cornish river (5)

25 Duty with one of rank, perhaps (4) 28 A base got destroyed by

enemy action (8) 29 Bunk given to a big lady (6) 30 They can get hot weather

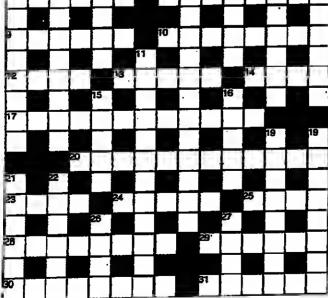
31 Deliver soldiers' signal (6)

DOWN 1 Our mutual confident!

2 No-one doubts what this signal means (3,5)

3 In extremities they can be accommodating (4) 5 Presumably he can be relied upon for dexterity (5-4,3)

27 Such wolves are no longer



DOWN: 1 Buckram, H Larva, S Swarthy, 4 Tiller, 5 Colic, 6 Radles, 7 Swept, 12 Spry, 14 Argo, 16 Eun over, 18 Hamster, 19 Spensor, 21 One-way, 22 Helot, 23 Titan, 25 Choss.

ACROSS 1 Tributary (5) 4 Scold (6) 9 Tramp (7) 10 Seize (5) 11 Peak (4) 12 Sorrow (7) 13 Bed (3) 14 Too (4) 16 Whirlpool (4) 18 Equality (3) 20 Income (7)

21 Profound (4) 24 Welsh breed of dog (5) 25 Pacify (7) 26 Sofa (6)

2 Indistinct (5) 3 Genuine (4) 5 Impede (8) 6 Dressed (7) 7 Reverberated (6) 8 Begin (5) 13 Happen simultaneously (8) 15 Young hare (7) 17 Summary (6) . 18 Punitive (5) 19 Oration (6)

6 Refusal to start on time (4) 7 Miracle drug for backside in trouble (6) 8 What a boy does with a toy

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11 Result of refusing to take things lying down? (5-2,5) 15 Confess one's escaped from

Maidstone somehow (5) 16 French friends lead a Pole astray (5)

18 Movingly depict an academic (8) 19 Reckon I'm splitting the estate (8)

21 Mix us some pudding (6) 22 Noise of a street fight (6) 26 Something troubling your eye, initially (4)

SOLUTIONS



ACROSS: I Bills, 4 Tickers, Cure-all, 5 Lodge, 10 Riant, Escheet, 13 Herp, 15 Martyr, Rhesus, 26 Goys, 22 Honiton, Macho, 25 Lovet, 27 Witless, Tyranny, 29 Riser.

DUTY HOSPITALS
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TELEVISION CHANNEL 1

The Legends of Treasure Islands
13:45 My Secret Identity - comedy
14:00 NBA 15:05 The New Leave it
to Beaver - comedy 15:30
Adventures of the Old West - documentary 16:30 Gallette World Sport mentary 16:30 Gillette World Sport special 17:00 French programs 19:30 News headlines 19:35 Carol and Company — comedy 20:00
Magazine 01 — documentary 20:15
The Album Show — music 21:10
Miami Vice 22:00 News in English
22:25 Film: North Beach and Raw
Mide starting Water Sheater and Hide starring William Shanter and Tata Donavan 00:00 Matfock

MIDDLE EAST TV

8:00 The Herodian monarchy 8:30 Reading comprehension 8:45 Society 9:25 Young children's programs 10:00 Family relations myths about adoption 10:30 Art 10:35 English 11:20 Literature 11:35 Science 11:55 English 12:20 Science 12:45 Math 13:00 Music 13:30 Animal Tales 13:45 Kitly Cat and Hummy 14:00 Peter Pan 14:30 Basketball 15:00 Autoto 14:00 The 700 Club 14:55 Film 16:30 Moomins 16:55 Heathcliff 10:30 Moomins 16:55 Heathcliff 17:20 Inspector Gadget 17:45 Flying House 18:10 Hawaii Five-O 19:10 Magnum P.I. 20:00 World News Tonight: Arabic 20:30 CNN Headline News 21:00 Blue Skies 21:30 Jake and the Fatman 22:20 Law and Order 23:10 The 700 Ctub 00:00 Special Program Special Program

CABLE

FAMILY CHANNEL (3)

8:00 Falcon Crest 9:00 One Life to Live 9:45 The Young and the Restless 10:30 Second Time Around 10:55 Daddy's Girls 11:25 Celeste 12:10 Neighbors 12:35 Peny Mason 13:30 Starting at 1:30 14:05 The Trials of Rosie O'Neill 14:55 Falcon Crest 15:45 ENG 16:35 Neighbors 17:10 Antonella 18:00 One Life to Live 18:45 The Young and tha Restless 19:30 Local broadcast 20:05 Celeste 20:50 Tha Great Defender 21:40 Movie: Prince of Tides (1991) – Nick Note plays a man trying to help his suicidal sister by talking about the past with her psychiatrist, Barbara Streisand, who plays the ahrink "Lowenstein," plays the ahrink "Lowenstein, Lowenstein, Lowenstein," also directed. With Blythe Danner, Jeroen Krabbe and Kate Neiligan (125 mins) 23:45 Sisters 00:35 St. Elsewhere 1:25 Knots Landing 2:15 Woman without a Past 3:00 Dempsey and Makepeace 4:00 Mr Palfrey of

MOVIE CHANNEL (4)

10:30 Nazar: The Gaze - Indian movie 12:00 A Night in Casablanca (1946) (rpt) 13:25 Whose Line Is It Anyway? 13:55 Storia de Ragazzle (1991) (rpt) 15:25 For Those I Love (1983) (rpt) 15:25 For Those I Love (1983) (rpt) 17:50 Double Double Toil and Trouble (1993) (rpt) 19:25 Baby of the Bride (1991) (rpt) 21:00 Leaving Normal (1992) - road movie about two women who leave their hometown of Normal. Wyoming to about two women who leave their hometown of Normal, Wyoming, to look for axcitement in Alaska, Starring Christine Lahti and Meg Tilly. Directed by Edward Zwick (105 mins) 22:50 Forgotten Prisoners (1990) – drama about the horrors of Turkish prisons. Ron Silver plays a lawyer for Amnesty International investigation human rights abuses. investigating human rights abuses. Directed by Robert Greenwald (88 mins) 00:20 Nightmare on the 13th Floor (1990) – horror thriller staming Michelle Green as an Investigative journalist who discovers evil goingson on the 13th floor of her botal (84) (1979) – michel each collection of the 1984 (84) three couples (94 mans) 3:25 Jarrapelleljos (1987) – Spanish per-od piece about a wealthy landowner who takes advantages of the villagers who farm his land (rpt) 5:15 Mario and the Mob (1992) (rpt)

CHILDREN (6)

6:30 Cartoons 8:00 Surprise Garden 8:35 The Detectives 9:00 C.O.W. Boys 9:40 Silver Hawks 10:10 Growing Pains 10:45 Party of Five 11:40 Loony Toons 12:00 Saved by the Bell 12:30 Hugo 13:00 Surprise Garden 13:35 Orson and Ofivia 14:00 Professor Iris 14:30 Hurricane 15:10 Silver Hawks 15:40 Step by Step 18:00 Dad Rules 16:35 Adventures in a Lost Land 16:55 Odyssey 17:30 Saved by the Bell 18:00 Hugo 18:35 C.O.W. Boys 19:00 The Detectives 19:30 Three's Company 20:00 Married with Children 20:30 Family Ties 20:55 The Brady Bunch 21:25 Cheers

■ SECOND SHOWING (6)

22:00 Sunset Boulevard (1950) — Billy Wilder cowrote and directed this Hollywood classic about an aging movie star (Gloria Swanson) who takes in a scriptwriter (William Holden) in the hope that he will help her with her dream of making a comaback. Also with Erich von Stroheim (110 mins) 23:55 Foolish Wives (1921) — Classic silent movie written by, directed by and starring Erich von Stroheim as a fake Count living in Monte Carlo where he makes money blackmailing wealthy women (109 mins) 22:00 Sunset Boulevard (1950)

DISCOVERY (8)

6:00 Open University: Science and Nature 12:00 Natura Films 13:00 The Next Step 13:30 Connections 14:00 Open University (rpt of morning's programs) 16:00 Nature Films 17:00 The Next Step 17:30 Connections 18:00 Open University (rpt of morning's programs) 3:000 (rpt of morning's programs) 3:000 Connections 18:00 Open University (rpt of morning's programs) 20:00 Great Castles of Europe 20:30 Fields of Armor 21:00 Telescope 21:30 Wild Film 22:00 Tha Nutcracker Suite 23:40 Charpentier's Te Deum 00:45 Open University (repeat of morning's programs)

■ ITV 3 (33)

16:00 Open Studio (Arabic) 16:15
Cartoons 16:45 Art magazine 17:30
Encounter with Lilith Nagar 18:15
Migrating Birds 19:00 News in Arabic
19:30 International culture magazine
20:00 Mabat 20:45 Telekesser 21:15
Teahouse of the August Moon (1956)
— Comedy based on a play about Comedy based on a play about American army officers in the Far East. Starring Marlon Brando, Glenn Ford. Directed by Daniel Mann (123 mins) 23:00 Opening Shots 00:00

■ ETV 2 (23)

14:30 Basketball 17:00 At tha Bottom of the Sea with Delphi 17:30
Time Out 18:00 Jewish Mysticism
18:30 On Second Thoughts —
Medication 19:00 Zero Hour (rpt)
19:30 Magazine in Russian 20:00 A New Evening (with Russian subti-tles) 20:30 Small Business 21:00 Zombit Business 21:30 Human History on Television - series 22:00 Seventy Faces - talk on the weekly Torah portion with Yaron London 22:30 Jewish Philosophy

SUPER CHANNEL

6:00 The Selina Scott Show 7:00 TN World News 7:15 US Market Wrap 7:30 Steals and Deals 8:00 Today featuring ITN World News and FT Business 10:00 Super Shop 11:00 European Money Wheel 15:30 The Schlawk Roy 17:00 US Market The Squawk Box 17:00 US Money 20:30 The Selina Scott Show 21:30 NBC News Magazine 22:30 ITN News 23:00 Supersport 00:00 The Tonight Show with Jay Leno 1:00 Late Night with Conan O'Brien

STAR PLUS

8:00 Beverly Hillbillies 6:30 Clao Italia 7:00 El TV 7:30 Gabrielle 8:30 Santa Barbara 9:30 The Bold and the Beautiful 10:00 Oprah Winfrey 11:00 Remington Steele 12:00 Ciao Italia 12:30 El TV 13:00 Teenage Mutant Ninja Turties 13:30 Small

Wonder 14:00 The Black Stallion 14:30 Batman 15:00 Home and Away 15:30 Entertainment Tonight 18:00 M*A*S*H 16:30 Super Bloopers and Practical Jokes 17:30 The X-Files 18:30 The Bold and the Beautiful 19:00 Santa Barbara 20:00 Hard Copy 20:30 Beverly Hills 90210 21:30 Fall Guy 22:30 Entertainment Tonight 23:00 Oprah Winfrey 00:00 Hard Copy 00:30 Home and Away 1:00 The Sullivans

CHANNEL 5

6:30 – 8:00 Bodies in motion 16:00 Bodies in motion 16:30 Super Bowl 17:00 US college basketball: Connecticut vs Syracuse 18:15 National women's league basketball 19:15 NBA: New York vs Chicago 21:00 WWF 22:00 Dutch league soccer 23:30 Spanish league soccer

■ EUROSPORT

9:30 European figure skating 11:00 Euroski 11:30 Snowboard 12:00 Australian Open tennis: women'a semi-fanal 18:30 Live European figseating 22:00 European figure skating 23:00 Australian Open tennis highlights 00:00 African Nations' Cup soccer highlights

PRIME SPORTS

6:00 Live Australian Open tennis 9:00 Golf 11:00 Billiards 12:00 Motor racing 12:30 Chinese sports stars 13:00 Golf 14:00 Asian soccer 15:30 World Cup soccer hall of fame 16:00

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■ BBC WORLD

News on the hour 6:00 BBC Newsday 6:05 Watergate 10:05 Timewatch 11:25 Top Gear 14:05 Horizon 15:15 World Business Report 15:30 Asia-Pacific 16:25 The Andrew Neil Show 17:05 Watergate
18:25 Time Out: Film '95 19:25 This
Multi-Media Business 22:05
Assignment 23:25 Time Out: Tomorrow's World 00:00 World News and Business Raport

RADIO

■ VOICE OF MUSIC

6:06 Morning Concert 9:05 Beethoven: Trio in E flat for strings op 3 (Perlman, Zukerman, Harreil); Gouvy: Sonata in D minor for plano 4 Gouvy: Sonata in D minor for plano 4 hands (Tal, Groethuysen); Saint-Saens: Violin concerto no 3 (Francescati/Philadelphia/Ormandy) 12:00 Noon with Gideon Hod – familiar music and quiz 14:06 Encore 15:00 Voice of Music magazine 16:00 Italian 15thr-century vocal music (Organum Ens); Bach: Suite no 1 for cello solo BWV 1007 (Bytsma); Beethoven: Piano trio no 97 "Archduke" (Castle Trlo); Mendelssohn; String quartet no 2 in CDs – Vivaldi: Concerto Hippeno, Cantata, Sonata for 4 on the Holy Sepulchre, Introduction to Miserere (Scholl, countertenor/415 Ena); Schumann: Andante and variations for 2 pianos, 2 cellos and horn op 46; lves: Unanswered Question (Cincinnati PO/Samuel); Brahms: Trio in E flat for horn, piano and vio-lin op 40 20:05 From the Recording Studio - Jerusalam String Trio.
Beethoven: Trio In G op 9/1; Arthur
Gelbrun: String trio; Schubert: Trio in
B flat D581 21:00 Clouds,
Celebrations and Sirens 23:00 From the Record Shelf

CINEMA

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THERE are irregularities in the way the country's institutes of higher learning collect funds from their friends groups abroad, a report by the State Comptroller's Office, released yesterday, said.

It is therefore possible that millions of dollars in donarions have not reached their destination, the report said.

The comptroller's office reviewed the auditing activities of the Council for Higher Learning's planning and hudgeting comminee, with reference to the Hebrew University, the universities of Tel Aviv and Haifa, Ben-Gurion University, Bar-llan University, the Technico, the Weizmann Institute, and the Bezalel Art School. Specific activities were examined at different institutes.

Those examined with regard to fundraising - Tel Aviv. Haifa, and Bezalel - were found to be deficient about receiving full information about dooatioos and pledges, as well as the transfer of donations and the checking of receipts here against those abroad.

"Some of the docations remained with the associations [abroad], and it was not always possible to know what sums were involved. From the documents, it would appear that millions of dollars are iovolved." the report

The comptroller recommends that proper cootractual relationships be set up between the instirutes and the various friends associations. She also recommends new guidelines for traveling abroad for senior administrative

With regard to building and development, the institutes examined were faulted with not having detailed loog-term plans to deal with the expected growth in student population. In two case studies - Tel Aviv and Bar-Ilan funds for building were not allocated in advance and tenders were not put out to the general public, the report ootes.

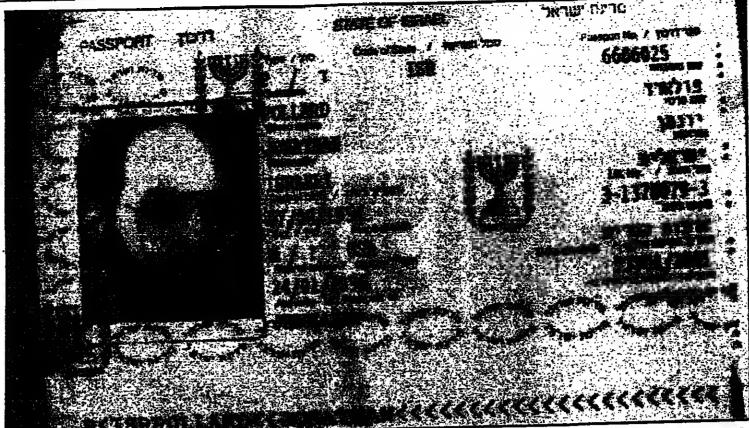
Tel Aviv University also took upon itself, the report states, the upkeep of property which it inherited and, in some cases, the upkeep was more expensive than the value of the property.

Bar-llan, the comptroller found, agreed to give certain dooations to heoeficiaries who were not entitled to them according to law, such as relatives of donors, who were awarded stipends and used donations as a lever for appointments of persons close to

At the Hehrew University. which receives works of art as donations from time to time, the lists of gifts were found to be incomplete. Only io September 1995 did the university's curator manage to put together an almost complete register of the various art works, the report states.

The various frameworks for higher learning must examine their activities carefully and improve the decisioo-making processes to avoid unnecessary or unwanted obligations in the long run," the comptroller writes. "These could lead to fioancial difficulties in the institutes, to increased governmental intervention, and to limitations on their

freedom of action in the future." The comptroller also criticized the safety arrangements at the Bezalel Academy of Arts. In the past four years, the report says. there were 17 accidents among students and staff. Although studies there involve chemicals and machinery, Bezalel had not appointed a safety inspector, the



Interior Minister Haim Ramon issued a passport and citizenship papers yesterday to Jonathan Pollard, serving a life sentence in the US for spying for Israel. 'I hope that in the near future it will be possible to put Israeli entry stamps into this passport, and that US for spying for Israel. 'I hope that in the near future it will be possible to put Israel entry stamps into this passion.'

Pollard will soon join us in Israel,' Ramon said, adding that the documents would reach Pollard in prison within two days.

(Brian Headler)

Opposition bills pass preliminary reading

THE opposition exploited the absence of most coalitioo MKs yesterday to pass three hills in

preliminary reading. The hills that passed despite government objections related to: protecting the religious status quo (submitted by Zevulun Hammer, National Religious Party): extending the Isra-Electric Corporatioo's coocessioo hy only 18 months (Gideoo Patt, Likud); and deducting the value of stoleo vehicles from the funds transferred to the autocomous areas (Pini Badash, Tsomet).

Many MKs had left the Knesset early to arread the festivities in Netivot honoring the late Baba Sali, presumably to stump for the

Patt's hill would extend the coocession rights by 18 mooths, instead of the 10-year extension that the government is

"The government is asking the Knesset to quickly extend the IEC's concession. All those who uoderstand what we're talking about agree that a decent amount of time should be giveo to this legislation, but the government, in the grip of primary-election panic, agreed behind closed doors to expedited legislation for fear of losing the votes of IEC workers,"

The government's own bill on the longer

concession was scheduled to be raised yesterday but was postponed because of the absence of coalitioo MKs.

Explaining his hill, Badash said that every year 40,000 vehicles are stolen in Israel, and most of them end up in the territories. He said that the fuods transfered to the Palestinian Authority every month, reportedly NIS 70 million, should be reduced to account for the losses caused by the car thefts.

"Only if the Palestinians feel the price of the thefts will they understand that they must take firm action to stop them," Badash said. He cited in particular "the unlimited nerve" of Palestinian policemen who can be found driving stolen vehicles.

WJC concludes assembly with focus on 'Jewish renaissance'

"This assembly marks a turn-

their communities and committed to what Bronfman called "a Jewish renaissance."

Delegates also pledged to support a WJC initiative, and press their countries to follow the US support of terrorism. Legislation pending in the US Congress would impose sauctions on foreign companies that conduct oil and gas transactions with Iran. Batsheva Tsur adds:

Youth Aliya Department head Yehiel Leket yesterday attacked A.B. Yehoshua's message on Tuesday to the WJC, in which Yehoshua said Israel no longer needs either the money or the political support of world Jewry.

Speaking to the congress plenary, Leket said that only people Diaspora, delegates said they of means are prepared to give up the assistance from world Jewry. In Israel, however, there are more than 650,000 people living below the poverty line, the majority of them children, and they surely would not want to give it up, he said.

"Whoever thinks that US Jewry no longer needs to contribute to Israel because we don't need them, has no moral right to ask for aid from the US taxpayers,"

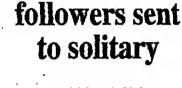
Peres off to Germany PRIME Minister Shimon Peres flies to Munich today to attend a ceremony awarding the B'oai B'rith friendship prize to German Chancellor Helmut Kohl. Peres will take the opportunity to con-

fer with Kohl and will also meet with Germany's Defense Minister Volker Ruehe and Finance Minister Theo Waigel. He will return home tomorrow.

Batsheva Tsur

Winning cards

In yesterday's Mifal Hapayis daily Chance card draw, the lucky cards were the eight of spades, jack of hearts, queen of diamonds, and ace of clubs.



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AROUND THE WORLD

RAINE MARCUS

THREE of Uzi Meshulam's followers refused to get up for the rontine morning headcount at Ramle's Ayalon Prison yester-

As this was the second time in a week they had done so, Prisons Service Commissioner Aryc Bibi ordered them to face a disciplinhamin Jibli were both placed in solitary confinement for 48 honrs, and Zobar Hasson was given a "severe reprimand."

Meanwhile, the Movement for Quality Government has asked Bibi, Attorney-General Michael Ben Yair, and Police Compiroller Alex Ish-Shalom to change the conditions under which Meshulam and his followers are imprisoned.

It said Meshulam enjoys privileged treatment under the auspices and with the knowledge of "the most senior parties in the police and Prisons Service," and the these privileges violate Prisons Service and police regulations regarding treatment of prisoners.

This preferential treatment, the group said, also damages the rights of other prisoners, who are incarcerated in inferior condi-

In a related development, Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court Judge David Rosen yesterday acquitted Meshulam followers Ya'acov Coben aod Yehuda Lahiani on charges of causing a disturbance, because of contradictions in police evidence." They allegedly hlocked a police van transporting Meshulam during his trial.

But two other followers, Moshe Ron and David Ma'atuf. were convicted. Ron was found guilty of assaulting a policeman with a chair, and Ma'atuf was convicted of insulting policemen by calling them "Nuzis. Itim adds:

Police yesterday raided a Rishoo Lezion print shop and seized inflammatory posters put out hy Meshulam's followers. The owner of the shop, a Bnei Brak man, was taken in for questioning.



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Bill would limit censorship LIAT COLLINS

A BILL that would limit the military censor's jurisdiction to incidents in which there is "certain harm to national security" passed its first

The bill was submitted by Dedi Zucker (Meretz), Eli Davan (La-

bor). Yitzhak Levy (National Religious Party), and Dan Meridor Deputy Defense Minister Ori Orr asked the hill's initiators

withdraw it since the government is preparing its own legislation on the subject, but they refused. Zucker described the current censorship agreement as an "archaic coming just another liberal-secuarrangement depending on the Emergency Regulations of 1949. It is

"The arrangement gives far-reaching powers to the censor in an openly undemocratic manner. The editors are partners in this unboly alliance," Zucker said.

status quo passes hurdle LIAT COLLINS

NRP proposal on religious

THE Knesset yesterday passed on preliminary reading a private members bill by Zevulun Hammer (National Religious Party) to protect the religious status quo as namonathe object larger The still gious laws would have to be approved by a special majority.

It is aimed at preventing the Supreme Court from making changes which would affect the status quo on religious affairs. In addition to Hammer, 15 other MKs are signed on the bill.

protect the religious character of the state and to stop it from "be-

It demands, among other things, that all legislation take into consideration the Jewish nature of the country and that the

Chief Rabbinate determine the interpretation of religious issues. Hammer stressed the bill would maintain the existing situation. "We're not talking about convious attended in the use by prime minister David Ben-Gurion," Hammer said.

The bill was vehemently opposed by Justice Minister David Liba'i (Labor) and Law Committee chairman Dedi Zucker (Meretz). Liba'i said it would give the rabbinate supreme authority and the state.

Zucker and Meretz faction chairman Ran Cohen later criticized the Likud and Tsomet MKs who supported the hill. saying that they were belping place Halacba above the law of

MARILYN HENRY

THE World Jewisb Congress closed its Global Assembly last night in Jerusalem, having spent three days discussing Jewish education and identity and the restiem Europe, and meeting with Israeli officials.

ing point in the world Jewish agenda," said Edgar Bronfman, who was reelected president by acclimation by more than 1,000 delegates from 70 nations. It was the first time the WJC had devoted a substantial portion of a conference to internal Jewish issues such as education, rather than externally based issues like antisemitism.

Alarmed by reports of the decline in the number of Jews in the were intent on strengthening

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